

*Returns to Orange Selectmen*



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## **TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1974**

### **ELECTED BOARDS AND OFFICERS**

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Allan H. Hawk	Term expires March, 1975
Edward G. Billiel	Term expires March, 1976
John E. Holston	Term expires March, 1977

#### **MODERATOR**

Delbert A. Witty	Term expires March, 1975
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#### **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Durward E. Cornwell	Term expires March, 1975
Richard R. Hall	Term expires March, 1976
Clarence E. Goodnow	Term expires March, 1977

#### **TOWN CLERK**

Ruth B. Smith	Term expires March, 1975
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#### **TOWN TREASURER**

Sandra M. Johnson	Term expires March, 1976
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#### **TAX COLLECTOR**

Sandra M. Johnson	Term expires March, 1976
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#### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

Michael G. Dow	Term expires March, 1975
Harold F. Calcari, Sr.	Term expires March, 1976
Andrew C. Mitchell, M.D.	Term expires March, 1977

#### **CONSTABLES**

Norman R. Autio (Deceased 12-23-74)	Term expires March, 1977
Alfred L. Baker	Term expires March, 1977
Artemas A. Jardine (Resigned 8-5-74)	Term expires March, 1977

## TREE WARDEN

Clifford P. Welcome	Term expires March, 1974
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## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Leona K. Cloutier	Term expires March, 1975
Clyde L. Robbins	Term expires March, 1975
Stewart W. Marshall	Term expires March, 1976
Arthur W. Shaw	Term expires March, 1976
Gayle A. Pinkowski	Term expires March, 1977
Clifford J. Fournier (Resigned 5-7-74)	Term expires March, 1977
Lloyd C. Green	By appointment

## REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Gene A. Lyman	Term expires March, 1975
Roberta J. Anderson	Term expires March, 1975
Clifford J. Fournier	Term expires March, 1976
Janet W. Knight (Resigned 11-4-74)	Term expires March, 1976
Frances A. Miller	Term expires March, 1977
Lillian Dennis	Term expires March, 1977
Robert J. Fisher	By appointment

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

L. Doris Olson	Term expires March, 1975
William C. Larkin	Term expires March, 1975
Erle C. Witty	Term expires March, 1976
Victor H. Coleman	Term expires March, 1976
Dorothy E. Burt	Term expires March, 1977
Robert P. Collen	Term expires March, 1977

## MEMORIAL HALL TRUSTEES

Royal H. Roach	Term expires March, 1975
Ethel Verheyen	By appointment
Harold E. Stone	Term expires March, 1975
Allyn W. A. Wright	Term expires March, 1976
Donald G. Olson	Term expires March, 1976
Willard M. Chase	Term expires March, 1977



## WATER COMMISSIONERS

Joseph E. Botti	Term expires March, 1975
Miles W. Spooner	Term expires March, 1976
Clifton W. Peirce	Term expires March, 1977

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

John W. Blackmer	Term expires March, 1975
Leslie J. Laughton	Term expires March, 1976
William R. Priestley	Term expires March, 1977

## ORANGE HOUSING AUTHORITY

William K. Babel	Term expires March, 1975
Kenneth C. Akey, Jr.	Term expires March, 1976
Marilyn J. Spooner (Governor's appointee)	Term expires March, 1976
Lottie M. Bergeron	Term expires March, 1978
Robert L. Howes	Term expires March, 1979

## APPOINTED BOARDS AND OFFICERS

### PLANNING BOARD

Mary Rembe	Term expires March, 1975
Robert Young	Term expires March, 1975
Fred Heyes	Term expires March, 1977
Carol Cloukey	Term expires March, 1977
Roger Tolman	Term expires March, 1978
Charles W. Harris	Term expires March, 1978

### ASSOCIATE PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

William H. Leaders	Term expires March, 1977
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### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS AND BUILDING CODE OF APPEALS

Raymond Blood	Term expires March, 1976
Gildo Simeone	Term expires March, 1977
Joan Robbins	Term expires March, 1978
Albert Plante	Term expires March, 1979
Earl Drew, Sr.	Term expires March, 1980
Kenneth Songer Associate member	Term expires March, 1976

(Zoning and Building Code Board of Appeals continued)

David Fleming	Associate member	Term expires March, 1977
Robert Flanders	Associate member	Term expires March, 1978

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Glenn Belloli	Term expires March, 1975
Charles Baker	Term expires March, 1975
Robert Allen	Term expires March, 1976
Richard Swan	Term expires March, 1976
Ronald V. Tellier	Term expires March, 1976
Arthur Bickford	Term expires March, 1977
Raymond W. Deyo	Term expires March, 1977

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

John E. Roche, Jr.	Term expires March, 1975
Francis Gallagher (Deceased 8-18-74)	Term expires March, 1976
Edward T. O'Connell	Term expires March, 1976
Mearle W. Fleming	Term expires March, 1977

AIRPORT COMMISSION

Frederick A. Mock	Term expires March, 1975
Norman G. Sixt, Sr.	Term expires March, 1976
Luther Horton	Term expires March, 1976
Lloyd A. Taylor	Term expires March, 1977
J. Arthur MacKnight	Term expires March, 1977

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Stanley Cleveland	Term expires March, 1975
Henry Wood	Term expires March, 1975
Clifton Peirce	Term expires March, 1976
Robert Andrews	Term expires March, 1976
Edgar T. Hume	Term expires March, 1977
Cynthia Schmick	Term expires March, 1977
Earl R. Drew, Jr.	Term expires March, 1977

PERSONNEL BOARD

John E. Holston  
Arthur W. Bickford  
Frank T. Waters



(Personnel Board continued)

Ronald V. Tellier  
Kenneth E. Smith

RECREATION COMMISSION

Enver Softic  
Bruce Jones  
Robert Haigh  
Joseph Hawkins  
Regina Canning  
Margaret Akey  
G. Armand Morin

TOWN COUNSEL

Delbert A. Witty

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Ruth B. Smith

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Edward P. O'Lari

DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

David Gale

DISTRICT DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

Vernon Hamlett - Retired  
Lloyd A. Taylor

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Edward P. O'Lari

SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM

Thomas G. Reynolds

## DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS

Ralph Robbins  
David Gale  
Donald Priestley  
Maurice Johnson

## CHIEF OF POLICE

Kenneth E. Smith - Retired 5-31-74

## PROVISIONAL CHIEF OF POLICE

James B. Patrick - Appointed 6-1-74

## PERMANENT FULL TIME OFFICERS

Carlton W. Spear  
Robert D. Fiske  
Donald Dennis  
William M. Golding, Jr.  
Daryl R. Perry  
Guy W. Howard

## SPECIAL POLICE

Stanley W. Cleveland  
Anthony Sironaitis  
Joseph Luce  
Primo Martinelli

Donald Priestley  
Ellsworth Cota  
Howard Ezro - Gun Club Grounds  
John H. Pajak - Gun Club Grounds  
Kenneth Gleason - Gun Club Grounds

## KEEPER OF THE LOCK-UP

Kenneth E. Smith - Retired  
James Patrick - Appointed

## DOG OFFICER

Robert D. Fiske

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

True B. Rice

## **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

### **RECORD OF VOTES CAST AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

**HELD MARCH 4, 1974**

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held in the Town Hall on Monday, March 4, 1974 at 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. it was voted as follows:

Polls opened at 10:00 a.m. Polls closed at 8:00 p.m.

Total number of votes cast	Twelve Hundred Sixteen	1,216
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#### **MODERATOR FOR ONE YEAR**

Delbert A. Witty	One Thousand Eight	1,008
Blanks	Two Hundred Eight	208
		1,216

#### **SELECTMAN FOR THREE YEARS**

James A. MacKnight	Two Hundred Seventy-six	276
John E. Holston	Nine Hundred Thirty-six	936
Blanks	Four	4
		1,216

#### **ASSESSOR FOR THREE YEARS**

Clarence E. Goodnow	One Thousand Fifty-eight	1,058
Blanks	One Hundred Fifty-eight	158
		1,216

#### **TREASURER FOR TWO YEARS**

Sandra M. Johnson	One Thousand Seventy-one	1,071
Blanks	One Hundred Forty-five	145
		1,216

#### **TAX COLLECTOR FOR TWO YEARS**

Sandra M. Johnson	One Thousand Sixty-nine	1,069
Blanks	One Hundred Forty-seven	147
		1,216

#### **TREE WARDEN FOR ONE YEAR**

Clifford P. Welcome	Eight Hundred Thirty	830
Harry W. Sanderson	Three Hundred Fifty-one	351
Blanks	Thirty-five	35
		1,216



# BOARD OF HEALTH FOR THREE YEARS

Miles W. Spooner	Three Hundred Eighty-two	382
Andrew C. Mitchell, M.D.	Eight Hundred Eight	808
Blanks	Twenty-six	26
		1,216

# CONSTABLES FOR THREE YEARS

Norman R. Autio	Nine Hundred Sixty-five	965
Alfred L. Baker	One Thousand Thirty-six	1,036
Raymond I. Hozempa	Three Hundred Sixty-seven	367
Artemas A. Jardine	Seven Hundred Fifty-six	756
Blanks	Five Hundred Twenty-four	524
		3,648

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Clifford J. Fournier	Nine Hundred Seventy-five	975
Gayle A. Pinkowski	Eight Hundred Nineteen	819
Scattering	Five	5
Blanks	Six Hundred Thirty-three	633
		2,432

# REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Frances A. Miller	Nine Hundred Ninety-five	995
Lillian Dennis	One Hundred Thirty-two	132
Scattering	Twenty-five	25
Blanks	One Thousand Two Hundred Eighty	1,280
		2,432

# REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR ONE YEAR

Lillian Dennis	Fifty-one	51
Roberta Anderson	Twelve	12
Scattering	Thirty	30
Blanks	One Thousand One Hundred Twenty-three	1,123
		1,216

# LIBRARY TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Dorothy E. Burt	Nine Hundred Eighty-five	985
Robert P. Collen	One Thousand Sixteen	1,016
Blanks	Four Hundred Thirty-one	431
		2,432

# MEMORIAL HALL TRUSTEE FOR THREE YEARS

Willard M. Chase	One Thousand Forty-two	1,042
Blanks	One Hundred Seventy-four	174
		1,216

# WATER COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

Clifton W. Peirce	One Thousand Fifty-four	1,054
Blanks	One Hundred Sixty-two	162
		1,216

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER FOR THREE YEARS

William R. Priestley	One Thousand Seventy-five	1,075	
Blanks	One Hundred Forty-one	141	
			1,216

HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR FIVE YEARS

Robert L. Howes	One Thousand Sixty	1,060	
Blanks	One Hundred Fifty-six	156	
			1,216

A true copy of the records of ballots cast.

Attest: RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. March 11, 1974.

Motion made and voted to defer action on Annual Town Meeting articles until after completion of the Special Town Meeting called for March 11, 1974.

RECORD OF VOTES AT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

March 11, 1974

Article 1 Voted:

That the town transfer \$1,000.00 from the Airport Maintenance Account to the Airport Building and Equipment Maintenance Account.  
\$1,000.00

Article 2 Voted:

That the town transfer \$6,000.00 from Schools — Expense of Instruction Account to Schools — Expense of Operation Account. \$6,000.00

Article 3 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$155,000.00 for renovation of the heating and ventilating system and installation of suspended acoustical tile ceilings at the Butterfield School, and to meet said appropriation that \$15,500.00 be transferred from Surplus Revenue and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow \$139,500.00 and to issue bonds or notes therefor payable in not more than ten years in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 7, Clause 3-A of the General Laws.  
\$155,000.00

Vote Count: Yes 265, No 66

Article 4 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$60,000.00 for salaries of school teachers and other professional school employees earned prior to June 30, 1974 and issue bonds or notes therefore, payable in three years, to meet said appropriation in accordance with Fiscal Cycle Loan Act of 1973.

\$60,000.00

Vote was Unanimous

Article 5 Voted:

That the town vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 1140, Acts of 1973, Local Transportation Bid Program.

Article 6 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$78,445.00 received under Chapter 1140 Section 22, Acts of 1973 for the installation of new and improved culverts, highway improvements, and general maintenance of various roads and streets.

Article 7 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$11,000.00 from Surplus Revenue for the Town's Share of Chapter 81 work for 1974.

\$11,000.00

Article 8 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$11,900.00 from Revenue Sharing Funds for the purchase of one 1974 cab and chassis and one five yard automatic truck mounted sand spreader.

\$11,900.00

Article 10 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$917.33 from Surplus Revenue for unpaid bills of prior years.

\$917.33

Vote was Unanimous

Article 9 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$2,750.00 from Revenue Sharing Funds for Sewer Extension on East River Street.

\$2,750.00

Article 11 Voted:

That the town appropriate from Surplus Revenue the following additional sums of money for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1974:

Municipal Building	\$1,500.00
Street Lights	1,000.00
Machinery Repair & Operation	1,200.00
Veterans Benefits	8,000.00

Total	\$11,700.00	\$11,700.00
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## RECAPITULATION

### Articles from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 8	Truck and Sander	\$11,900.00	
Article 9	Sewer Extension E. River St.	<u>2,750.00</u>	\$14,650.00

### Articles from Surplus Revenue

Article 3	School Repairs Butterfield School	\$15,500.00	
Article 7	Chapter 81	11,000.00	
Article 10	Prior Year Bills	917.33	
Article 11	Additional Appropriations	<u>11,700.00</u>	\$39,117.33

### Articles to Transfer

Article 1	Airport Maint. to Airport Bldg. & Equip.	\$1,000.00	
Article 2	Schools Instruction to Operation	6,000.00	
Article 6	Chapter 1140 for Highway work	<u>78,445.00</u>	\$85,445.00

### Articles to Borrow

Article 3	School Repairs Butterfield School	\$139,500.00	
Article 4	Teachers Salaries	<u>60,000.00</u>	\$199,500.00

A true copy of the record of the proceedings of the meeting.

Attest: RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk

## RECORD OF VOTES AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 11, 1974

### Article 2 Voted:

That the Annual Town Report be accepted as printed.

That the Finance Committee Report be accepted as read:

Finance Committee Report to the Voters of Orange

We are concerned about taxes.

Our town faces a series of decisions this year that could impact our tax rate considerably and result in a substantial increase in real estate taxes that property owners in Orange must pay in Fiscal 1975 and Fiscal 1976.

#### WHAT ARE SOME OF THE DECISIONS WE FACE?

1. Budget Increases for Fiscal 1975 of approximately \$225,000 that will be acted on at our annual town meeting. Original budget requests were up approximately \$500,000 over the comparable 1973-74 period but we have been able to reduce these requests to the net increase underlined above.
2. Butterfield School Renovations — \$155,000, a warrant article to be acted on at a special town meeting March 11, 1974.
3. Fire Station Addition — \$90,000, a warrant article to be acted on at our annual town meeting.
4. Mahar Regional School Addition — \$5,800,000, an article to be acted on at a special town meeting in April, 1974.
5. Sewerage Treatment Plant — \$3,000,000 an article to be acted on at a special town meeting some time during 1974.
6. New Town Water Supply — cost unknown.

We cannot project the tax rate increase for Fiscal Year 1975 at this time because there are too many "unknowns." We believe that the approximate impact of the budget and warrant articles, if our recommendations are followed, will be about \$12.00 but the "unknowns" can considerably affect this estimate either up or down. The "unknowns" are as follows:

1. Net increased income from new property valuations.
2. Additional monies needed for both elementary and regional schools to implement Chapter 766 which shifts responsibility from the state to local level for physically and mentally handicapped persons educational needs.
3. County Tax and State Assessments as contained in the "Cherry Sheet."
4. Estimates Tax Distribution and Reimbursements also as contained in the "Cherry Sheet."

Until these figures are known, no one can accurately project the Orange tax rate for Fiscal Year 1975.

One thing is known, we face a financial crisis now. Excuses for decisions that should have been made but were not, lack of overall cohesion amount all departments whose budgets affect us, placing blame here and there, cries of "if only we had done thus and so," public apathy, and negativism are only hindsight now and will do nothing to solve what we see as a crisis for our town.

## WHAT CAN WE DO?

1. An immediate and all out drive to collect all real estate, personal property, excise, and water monies still due the town for 1973 and prior years in order to put "Free Cash" in its strongest possible condition as of July 1, 1974.
2. Immediate re-implementation of capital budgeting to give priority to the known major projects mentioned heretofore as well as to develop long range plans and priorities for future major capital expenditures.
3. Immediate passage of a zoning by-law that will be acceptable to the majority of voters but will afford protection to all voters regarding our future growth and the manner in which such growth takes place.
4. Immediate appointment of members to a personnel Board that was established by town vote some years ago but has never functioned, said board to consider all wage considerations for all town employees that might properly come under its jurisdiction.
5. Interactive cooperation among all town boards and officials, whether elected or appointed, to consider the impact of their individual decisions, financial or otherwise, on the town as a whole.
6. Immediate raising of the sewer tax and establishment of a Sewer Operations Reserve Fund to help lessen the impact of operational costs when the Sewerage Treatment Plant becomes operative.
7. Appointment of a committee to investigate our form of government with an eye to seeing if a full time administrative assistant or a full time town manager or some other change might now be warranted since town government today is a big operation.
8. Observer representation from your finance committee at all elementary school committee meetings when negotiations with any bargaining unit are taking place.



9. Observer representation from finance committees of all member towns at all regional school committee meetings when negotiations with any bargaining unit are taking place.
10. Lastly, and end to voter apathy. We want to see an ending of apathy on the part of the majority of voters who rarely attend town meetings but who are very vocal and critical regarding the results of these meetings. We want to see an ending of disrespect on the part of special interest groups who pack certain town meetings until their particular interest is met and who then walk out before the total business of the meeting is concluded. We want to see an ending of emotional voting that overrides the logical considerations involved.

You, the voters, must make the ultimate decisions. We want you to attend the annual and special town meetings to be held Monday March 11, 1974 to ask questions, to hear explanations and recommendations, and to vote your own beliefs based on logical and reasonable conclusions.

Respectfully submitted,

Finance Committee  
Richard C. Swan, Chairman  
Robert G. Allen  
Charles E. Baker  
Glenn L. Belloli  
Arthur W. Bickford  
Ralph Spooner

#### Article 3 Voted:

That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1974, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

#### Article 4 Voted:

That R. Arthur Lundgren be chosen Director for County Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 128, Section 4 of the General Laws.

Article 5 Voted:

That the money received from the County known as the "Dog Fund" be transferred to the Library Department. The amount of the fund is \$1,618.68. \$1,618.68

Article 6 Voted:

That the Tree Warden draw from the appropriation for his department the sum of \$25.00 as salary and the further sum of \$3.00 per hour for all time that he shall spend in actual labor in connection with his department.

Article 7 Voted:

That the town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to sell or dispose of the property acquired by the town through Treasurer's Deeds or tax titles foreclosed by Commissioner's Affidavit of Land of Low Value, or by foreclosure through the Land Court.

Article 8 Voted:

That the town fix the salary and compensation of all elected officers of the town as provided by Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, to be made effective from July 1, 1974, as contained in the budget.

Article 9 Voted:

That the town appropriate the following sums of money to meet the town's expenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1974:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Town Officers Bonds	\$ 700.00
Selectmen's Salaries	2,700.00
Selectmen's Expense	1,600.00
General Office Salaries	8,500.00
General Office Expense	3,600.00
Town Accountant's Salary	6,900.00
Town Accountant's Expense	150.00
Treasurer's Salary	3,300.00
Treasurer's Expense	400.00
Foreclosure Expense	1,000.00
Town & Tax Collector's Salary	5,200.00
Tax Collector's Expense	1,000.00
Assessors' Salaries	2,850.00
Assessors' Expense	2,190.00
Town Clerk's Salary	3,300.00
Town Clerk's Expense	460.00

Election and Registration	3,020.00	
Town Counsel	1,000.00	
Finance Committee Expense	600.00	
Orange-Athol Industrial Dev. Dist.	2,500.00	
Planning Board Expense	1,500.00	
Town Hall Maintenance	10,000.00	
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		\$62,470.00

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Dept. Salaries and Wages	\$90,829.00	
Police Dept. Expense	4,320.00	
Police Dept. Uniforms	2,250.00	
Police Car Maintenance	4,350.00	
Ambulance	6,290.00	
Fire Dept. Salaries and Wages	41,830.00	
Fire Dept. Expense	8,335.00	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	1,610.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	450.00	
Moth Suppression	600.00	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	4,500.00	
Tree Warden	3,500.00	
Forest Fire Warden	2,250.00	
Electrical Inspector	600.00	
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		\$171,714.00

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

Board of Health Salaries	\$ 300.00	
Board of Health Expenses	4,700.00	
Rubbish Collection & Care of Dump	28,350.00	
Mental Health Clinic	1,500.00	
Inspector of Animals	175.00	
Sewer Department	3,230.00	
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		\$38,255.00

## HIGHWAYS

Municipal Building	\$ 4,795.00
Snow and Ice	30,000.00
Machinery Rep. and Operation	27,880.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	4,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction	8,850.00
Highway Department	12,400.00



Flood Control	500.00	
Street Lights	13,000.00	
Public Drinking Fountain	50.00	
Fence Viewers	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$101,525.00

#### VETERANS' SERVICES

Veterans' Services District Adm.	\$ 6,548.64	
Veterans' Benefits	55,900.00	
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#### EDUCATION

School Dept. — Administration	\$ 29,546.00	
School Dept. — Instruction	494,757.00	
School Dept. — Operation	94,725.00	
School Dept. — Auxiliary Agencies	79,101.00	
School Dept. — New Equipment	6,649.00	
Regional School District	1,022,372.33	
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#### LIBRARIES

Library Department	\$24,905.00	
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#### RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

Parks and Playgrounds	\$ 6,355.00	
Playground and Recreation Program	2,000.00	
Life Guard and Swimming Instructor	1,100.00	
Memorial Hall Maintenance	1,940.00	
Memorial Day	350.00	
Town Reports	2,500.00	
Band Concerts	900.00	
Fish and Game Distribution	400.00	
Conservation Commission Expense	200.00	
Fire Insurance Town Buildings	8,000.00	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	7,000.00	
Mun. Employees Group Insurance	27,000.00	
Reserve Fund	15,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$72,745.00

## ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

Airport Administration Expense	\$ 950.00
Airport Building & Equipment Maint.	1,845.00
Airport Maintenance	4,000.00
Water Commissioners Salaries	450.00
Water Department Wages	35,408.00
Water Department Expense	19,230.00
Water Department Equipment	14,000.00
Cemetery Commissioners Salaries	225.00
Cemetery Department	14,525.00
	<hr/> \$90,633.00

## INTEREST AND DEBT

Interest	\$21,785.00
Dexter Park School Addition Loan	25,000.00
Sewage Disposal Facilities Plans Loan	20,000.00
Fiscal Cycle Loan, Acts of 1973	20,000.00
	<hr/> \$87,785.00

Total appropriated under Article 9	\$2,439,630.97
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Voted: That the following items and amounts of the budget are to be provided from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds:

Orange-Athol Industrial Dist.	\$ 2,500.00
Police Dept. Expense	4,320.00
Police Dept. Uniforms	2,250.00
Police Car Maintenance	4,350.00
Fire Dept. Expense	8,335.00
Street Lights	13,000.00
Fire Insurance Town Buildings	8,000.00
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Total from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds	\$42,755.00

Voted: That the Reserve Fund be transferred from Overlay Reserve	<hr/> \$15,000.00
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Balance to be raised	\$2,381,875.97
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Article 10 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$58,680.00 for Vocational Education.	\$58,680.00
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Article 11 Voted:

That the town trade the present Police Car and appropriate \$3,200.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the purchase of a new car.  
\$3,200.00

Article 12 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$2,289.00 received under Chapter 672, Acts of 1962, for the Library Department. \$2,289.00

Article 13 Voted:

That the town trade the present Cemetery truck and appropriate \$5,000.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the purchase of a new truck for the Cemetery Department. \$5,000.00

Article 14 Voted:

That the town sell or trade one 1963 Chevrolet Cab and Chassis and appropriate \$8,100.00 from Road Machinery Earnings Reserve for the purchase of a new Cab and Chassis for the Highway Department.  
\$8,100.00

Article 15 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$2,700.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the purchase of a 7,000 watt emergency lighting plant to be installed at the Fire Station. \$2,700.00

Article 16 Voted:

No (re tractor back-hoe for Water Dept.)

Article 17 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$101.00 to pay for use of parking space off Prospect Street. \$101.00

Article 18 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$500.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for new equipment for the playground. \$500.00

Article 19 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$100.00 for Recreation Commission Expense. \$100.00

Article 20 Voted:

No (re additional money for Civil Defense)

Article 21 Voted:

That the town appropriate \$4,000.00 for the purpose of hiring a Building Inspector in accordance with Chapter 802, Acts of 1972. \$4,000.00

Article 22 Voted:  
To pass over. (re Conservation Fund.)

Article 23 Voted:  
No (re addition to Fire Station.)

Article 24 Voted:  
To pass over. (re acceptance of Stone Road.)

Article 25 Voted:  
That the town discontinue that portion of Dexter Street which is now covered by the addition to Dexter Park School.

Article 26 Voted:  
No (re acceptance of land at 22 West Main St.)

Article 27 voted:  
That the town instruct the Assessors to use \$60,000.00 from Free Cash to reduce the tax rate in accordance with Section 7, Chapter 798, Acts of 1961. \$60,000.00

RECAPITULATION

ARTICLES TO APPROPRIATE

Article 9	Budget	\$2,381,875.97
Article 10	Vocational Education	58,680.00
Article 17	Parking Space	101.00
Article 19	Recreation Commission Expense	100.00
Article 21	Building Inspector	4,000.00
		<hr/>
Total to be raised		\$2,444,756.97

ARTICLES FROM FEDERAL REVENUE  
SHARING FUNDS

Article 9	Budget Items	\$42,755.00
Article 11	Police Car	3,200.00
Article 13	Cemetery Truck	5,000.00
Article 15	Light Plant Fire Station	2,700.00
Article 18	Playground Equipment	500.00
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Total from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds		\$54,155.00



ARTICLES TO TRANSFER

Article 5 Dog Fund to Library Dept.	\$ 1,618.68	
Article 9 Overlay Reserve to Reserve Fund	15,000.00	
Article 12 Chapter 672 Funds to Library Dept.	2,289.00	
Article 14 Mch. Earnings Res. to Mch. Purchase	<u>8,100.00</u>	
Total Transfers		\$27,007.68

ARTICLES FROM SURPLUS REVENUE

Article 27 To reduce the tax rage	<u>\$60,000.00</u>	
Total from Surplus Revenue		\$60,000.00

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

A true copy of the record of the proceedings of the meeting.

Attest: RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk

RECORD OF VOTES AT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

July 24, 1974

Article 1 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$1,500.00 from Revenue Sharing Funds to purchase a new base radio station at the Fire Station.

Article 2 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$8,000.00 from Surplus Revenue for necessary work in obtaining Intercepting Sewers Easements in connection with the Sewage Treatment Plant.

A true copy of the record of the proceedings of the meeting.

Attest: RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk

# RECORD OF VOTES CAST AT THE STATE PRIMARY

Held September 10, 1974

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, September 10, 1974 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. it was voted as follows:

Polls opened at 10:00 a.m. Polls closed at 8:00 p.m.

Total number of ballots cast — Three Hundred Seventy-four 374

Republican	One Hundred Ninety	190	
Democratic	One Hundred Eighty-four	184	
			374

REPUBLICAN VOTE — 190

## GOVERNOR

Francis W. Sargent	One Hundred Twenty-seven	127	
Carroll P. Sheehan	Sixty-one	61	
Blanks	Two	2	
			190

## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Donald R. Dwight	One Hundred Seventy-four	174	
Blanks	Sixteen	16	
			190

## ATTORNEY GENERAL

Charles C. Chabot, Jr.	Forty-eight	48	
William I. Cowin	Fifty-five	55	
Josiah A. Spaulding	Seventy-eight	78	
Blanks	Nine	9	
			190

## SECRETARY

John M. Quinlan	One Hundred Sixty-six	166	
Blanks	Twenty-four	24	
			190

## TREASURER

Muriel E. Ballantine	Ten	10	
Blanks	One Hundred Eighty	180	
			190

AUDITOR			
Blanks	One Hundred Ninety		190
CONGRESSMAN Second District			
Blanks	One Hundred Ninety		190
COUNCILLOR Seventh District			
Wayne M. Thomas	One Hundred Thirty-nine	139	
Blanks	Fifty-one	51	
			190
SENATOR Worcester, Franklin, Hampden and Hampshire			
Mary Juda	One	1	
Blanks	One Hundred Eighty-nine	189	
			190
REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT			
Third Franklin District			
Thomas G. Simons	One Hundred Seventy	170	
Blanks	Twenty	20	
			190
DISTRICT ATTORNEY Northwestern District			
Blanks	One Hundred Ninety		190
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS Franklin County			
Linwood B. Lesure	One Hundred Fifty-nine	159	
Blanks	Thirty-one	31	
			190
SHERIFF Franklin County			
Chester S. Martin	One Hundred Sixty-five	165	
Blanks	Twenty-five	25	
			190
REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY			
Franklin County			
Norman M. Clark	One Hundred Ten	110	
R. Craig Cole	Fifty-one	51	
Blanks	Twenty-nine	29	
			190
COUNTY TREASURER Franklin County			
Robert E. Lovett	One Hundred Forty	140	
Blanks	Fifty	50	
			190

## DEMOCRATIC VOTE — 184

### GOVERNOR

Michael S. Dukakis	One Hundred Fifteen	115	
Robert H. Quinn	Sixty-seven	67	
Blanks	Two	2	184

### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Eva B. Hester	Thirty	30	
Christopher A. Iannella	Twenty-six	26	
John Pierce Lynch	Fifty	50	
Thomas P. O'Neill III	Forty-five	45	
Thomas Martin Sullivan	Twenty-two	22	
Blanks	Eleven	11	184

### ATTORNEY GENERAL

Francis X. Bellotti	Ninety-six	96	
Barry T. Hannon	Nine	9	
Edward F. Harrington	Fifteen	15	
Edward M. O'Brien	Thirty-six	36	
S. Lester Ralph	Five	5	
George L. Sacco	Fifteen	15	
Blanks	Eight	8	184

### SECRETARY

John F. X. Davoren	Seventy-eight	78	
Paul H. Guzzi	Ninety-seven	97	
Blanks	Nine	9	184

### TREASURER

Robert Q. Crane	One Hundred	100	
Charles Mark Furcolo	Seventy-one	71	
Blanks	Thirteen	13	184

### AUDITOR

Thaddeus Buczko	One Hundred Forty-four	144	
Blanks	Forty	40	184



CONGRESSMAN Second District			
Edward P. Boland	One Hundred Thirty-nine	139	
Blanks	Forty-five	45	
			184

COUNCILLOR Seventh District			
Donald J. Bongovio	Eight	8	
John A. Cormier	Nineteen	19	
John T. Fitzpatrick	Twenty-nine	29	
Charles J. O'Connor, Jr.	Thirty-five	35	
Raymond J. Salmon	Forty-one	41	
Leo J. Turo	Twenty-one	21	
Blanks	Thirty-one	31	
			184

SENATOR Worcester, Franklin, Hampden and Hampshire District			
Frederic W. Schlosstein Jr.	One Hundred Fifty-one	151	
Blanks	Thirty-three	33	
			184

REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT Third Franklin District			
Blanks	One Hundred Eighty-four		184

DISTRICT ATTORNEY Northwestern District			
John M. Callahan	One Hundred Forty-one	141	
Blanks	Forty-three	43	
			184

COUNTY COMMISSIONER Franklin County			
Thomas W. Merrigan	One Hundred Forty	140	
Blanks	Forty-four	44	
			184

SHERIFF Franklin County			
Blanks	One Hundred Eighty-four		184

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY Franklin County			
John A. Barrett	Sixty-six	66	
Thomas J. Scanlon	Sixty-eight	68	
John Wesolowski, Jr.	Twenty-eight	28	
Blanks	Twenty-two	22	
			184

COUNTY TREASURER	Franklin County	
William J. Powers	One Hundred Thirty-four	134
Blanks	Fifty	50
		184

A true record of the ballots cast.

RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk

### RECORD OF VOTES AT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

September 16, 1974

#### Article 1 - Voted:

That the town adopt the proposed Zoning By-law, including the Zoning Map, dated August 15, 1974, as posted with warrant dated September 4, 1974, and on file with the Town Clerk.

Vote count —	Yes	249
	No	137

Total ballots cast	386
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A true copy of the record of ballots cast.

Attest: RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk

### RECORD OF VOTES CAST AT THE STATE ELECTION

Held November 5, 1974

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Orange, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, November 5, 1974 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., it was voted as follows:

Polls opened at 10:00 a.m. Polls closed at 8:00 p.m.

Total number of ballots cast	
One Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-nine	1,629

# GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Sargent and Dwight	Seven Hundred Nineteen	719	
Dukakis and O'Neill	Eight Hundred Thirty-six	836	
Gurewitz and Bivins	Eleven	11	
Kahian and Greco	Thirty-five	35	
Blanks	Twenty-eight	28	1,629

# ATTORNEY GENERAL

Francis X. Bellotti	Six Hundred Sixty-three	663	
Josiah A. Spaulding	Nine Hundred Thirty-two	932	
Jeanne Lafferty	Twenty-one	21	
Blanks	Thirteen	13	1,629

# SECRETARY

Paul H. Guzzi	Seven Hundred Eighty-four	784	
John M. Quinland	Eight Hundred Two	802	
Blanks	Forty-three	43	1,629

# TREASURER

Robert Q. Crane	Twelve Hundred Ninety-one	1,291	
Blanks	Three Hundred Thirty-eight	338	1,629

# AUDITOR

Thaddeus Buczko	Twelve Hundred Seventy-eight	1,278	
Blanks	Three Hundred Fifty-one	351	1,629

# CONGRESSMAN Second District

Edward P. Boland	Twelve Hundred Seventy-eight	1,278	
Blanks	Three Hundred Fifty-one	351	1,629

# COUNCILLOR Seventh District

Wayne M. Thomas	Eight Hundred Five	805	
Leo J. Turo	Six Hundred Seventy-seven	677	
Blanks	One Hundred Forty-seven	147	1,629

# SENATOR Worcester, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire District

Frederic W. Schlosstein Jr.	Twelve Hundred Eighty-one	1,281	
Blanks	Three Hundred Forty-eight	348	1,629

# REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT

## Third Franklin District

Thomas G. Simons	Thirteen Hundred Eighteen	1,318	
Blanks	Three Hundred Eleven	311	1,629

## DISTRICT ATTORNY Northwestern District

John M. Callahan	Twelve Hundred Fifty-four	1,254	
Blanks	Three Hundred Seventy-five	375	1,629

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER Franklin County

Thomas W. Merrigan	Nine Hundred Thirty-eight	938	
Linwood B. Lesure	Six Hundred Sixteen	616	
Blanks	Seventy-five	75	1,629

## SHERIFF Franklin County

Chester S. Martin	Twelve Hundred Fifty-eight	1,258	
Blanks	Three Hundred Seventy-one	371	1,629

# REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY

## Franklin County

John A. Barrett	Six Hundred Seventy-four	674	
Norman M. Clarke	Five Hundred Eighty-four	584	
Stanley Joseph Kopeck	Two Hundred Ninety-two	292	
Blanks	Seventy-nine	79	1,629

## QUESTION No. 1 Proposed Amendment to the Constitution

Yes	Eight Hundred Thirty-five	835	
No	Four Hundred Eighty-eight	488	
Blanks	Three Hundred Six	306	

## QUESTION No. 2 Proposed Amendment to the Constitution

Yes	Nine Hundred Ninety	990	
No	Three Hundred Twenty-four	324	
Blanks	Three Hundred Fifteen	315	1,629

## QUESTION No. 3 Proposed Amendment to the Constitution

Yes	Six Hundred Fifty-three	653	
No	Six Hundred Forty-five	645	
Blanks	Three Hundred Thirty-one	331	1,629



QUESTION No. 4	Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition		
Yes	Three Hundred Eighty	380	
No	Nine Hundred Eighty-three	983	
Blanks	Two Hundred Sixty-six	266	
			1,629

QUESTION No. 5	Law Proposed by an Initiative Petition		
Yes	Seven Hundred Ninety-three	793	
No	Four Hundred Ninety-four	494	
Blanks	Three Hundred Forty-two	342	
			1,629

QUESTION No. 6	re Health Systems Regulation		
Yes	Eight Hundred Ninety-six	896	
No	Three Hundred Eighty-five	385	
Blanks	Three Hundred Forty-eight	348	
			1,629

A true record of the ballots cast.

Attest: RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk

## RECORD OF VOTES AT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

November 18, 1974

Article 1 - Voted: To pass over.

Article 2 - Voted: To pass over.

Article 3 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$7,500.00 from Water Surplus Revenue to extend six inch water main 800 feet on Shingle Swamp Road.

Article 4 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$3,200,000.00 for the construction of sewers, sewerage systems, and sewage treatment and disposal facilities; that to raise this appropriation the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen is authorized to borrow \$3,200,000.00 under General Laws Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause (15); and that the Selectmen are authorized to apply for federal and state aid which shall be spent for the project, provided that the total authorized borrowing shall be reduced by the

amount of any federal and state construction grants obtained for the purpose of carrying out the project.

Vote count    Yes    151  
                  No     0

Article 5 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$4,800.00 from Surplus Revenue for the Police Wages Account for the employment of one additional patrolman.

Article 6 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$6,400.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the purchase of one additional Police Car.

Article 7 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$2,500.00 from Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for the Police Car Maintenance Account.

RECAPITULATION

From Water Surplus Account		
Article 3	Water Extension Shingle Swamp Road	\$ 7,500.00
From Surplus Revenue		
Article 5	Police Wages Account	4,800.00
From Federal Revenue Sharing Funds		
Article 6	Police Car Purchase	6,400.00
Article 7	Police Car Maintenance	2,500.00
Authorization to Borrow		
Article 4	Sewage Treatment and Disposal Facilities	3,200,000.00

Meeting adjourned 7:20 p.m.

A true copy of the record of the proceedings of the meeting.

RECORD OF VOTES AT SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 30, 1974

Article 1 - Voted:

That the town establish a Building code Board of Appeals consisting of

five members and authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint such members in accordance with Chapter 802 of the Acts of 1972.

Article 2 - Voted:

That the town authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish a fee schedule for the issuance of licenses and permits in connection with the State Building Code.

Article 3 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$3,500.00 from Water Surplus Revenue to install a 6" water main on Red Brook Lane a distance of 300 feet from East River Street to be expended only if the Medical Arts Building is located on the Red Brook Lane site.

Article 4 - Voted:

That the town appropriate \$1,500.00 from Surplus Revenue to install a sewer line on Red Brook Lane a distance of 300 feet from East River Street, to be expended only if the Medical Arts building is located on the Red Brook Lane site.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

A true copy of the record of the proceedings of the meeting.

Attest: RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk

## VITAL STATISTICS

### BIRTHS

Date	Name	Parents
January		
3	Andrew Paul Belloli	Glenn L. and Norma S.
10	Ann Marie Leonard	Roy T. and Jean E.
13	Pamela Jean O'Lari	David E. and Belinda A.
15	John Steven Morris	Joseph R. and Janina O.
24	Michael Barry Cormier	Barry R. and Constance A.
28	John Joseph Perry	Laurance A. and Sharon L.
28	Joshua Michael Dembek	Mark D. and Frances L.
February		
22	Fawn Marie Barber	Steven A. and Claire I.
27	Garrett Gilmore Marshall	Spencer J. and Jane L.
27	Griffith McKenna Marshall	Spencer J. and Jane L.
March		
3	Tammy Louise Gelinas	Clifford A. and Sally A.
8	Stephen James Tobin	Allen R. and Francine C. J.
10	Patricia Ann Bassett	Bernard A. and Bonnie L.
14	Bradley Harrison Decatur	Thomas B. and Lucille A.
17	Sarah Emily LaPointe	John L. and Norma C.
17	Jonas Adrian LaPointe	John L. and Norma C.
23	Eric Christopher Roy	Raymond R. and Janet L.
28	Robert Leo Flanders, Jr.	Robert L. and Theresa M.
30	Allen William Green	John W. and Stephanie L.
31	Rebecca Ruth Brown	Harry W. and Linda M.
April		
7	James Conrad Primus	Michael R. and Ola G.
7	Susan Jean Valade	Vernon L. and Lee A.
26	Brian Michael Whaland	Richard A. and Susan E.
26	Marcy Lynn Softic	Peter and Sherry A.
28	Bruce Edward Barrett, Jr.	Bruce E. and MaryLou
30	Katherine Jeanne Parker	James A. and Nancy M.
May		
14	Danny Alan Rhodes	Brian D. and Marilyn R.
19	Bradford Steven Green, Jr.	Bradford S. and Sharron M.
30	Gary Alan Cornwell, Jr.	Gary A. and Sandra L.



## June

17 Erica Jane Richardson  
20 Anita Joyce Robinson  
28 Randal Anthony Lefrancois

James T. and Suanne  
Daniel F. and Janet J.  
Harvey J. and Elaine M.

## July

1 Hans Frederick Harris  
1 Amy Marie Lewis  
9 Rachel Lena Pompano  
10 Lynn Marie Beasley  
12 Jessica Angela Rogers  
13 Amy Lee Goddard  
16 Christopher Leon Mabey  
20 Aaron Ray Desreuisseau  
24 Julie Marie Tamasunas  
24 Stephen Michael Smith  
26 Alicia Mae Owen  
30 Cherea May Bagdonas  
31 James Edwin Heyes

Alfred G. and Monika G.  
Andrew C. and Margaret  
Joseph M. and Deborah E.  
Russell E. and Sally A.  
Dennis O. and Margaret H.  
Dennis P. and Linda D.  
Leon Albert and Ruth M.  
Arthur R. and Julia M.  
John M. and Mary H.  
Edward P. and Ok Chol  
Michael E. V. and Valleri A.  
Joseph S. and Sally A.  
Fred L. and Mary G.

## August

7 Greg Edward Stacy  
10 Jason Phillip Bowers  
13 John James Vescovi  
14 Jackie May Bailey  
16 Erica Jean Ray  
20 James Allen Whittier  
23 Matthew Donald Smith  
29 Eric Andrew Gemborys

Charles E. and Janice L.  
Jerrold H. and Susan A.  
David J. and Avis A.  
Richard L. and Janie M.  
Robert A. and Patricia A.  
Rodney W. and Anne M.  
Michael A. and Donna K.  
Paul B. and Linda J.

## September

4 Daniel Thomas Leaders  
13 Karen Nicole Allen  
13 Lisa Marie LaClair  
14 Jeremy Deane Thurber  
18 Jason Keith Ball  
21 Joanna Marie Lech  
25 Kyle Guy Fiske  
28 Jason Robert Carey  
29 Eric David Barbato

William H. and Alice M.  
David W. and Wendy L.  
Wade E. and Laurel L.  
Robert K. and Caryl A.  
Keith W. and JoAnne U.  
Stephen and Nancy J.  
Robert D. and Arvine H.  
Robert F. and Mary J.  
Michael S. and Rosalie L.

## October

14 Tracie Erin Prue  
19 Tina Marie Haskell  
20 Melissa Amy Johnston  
28 Leanne Michelle Lovell

Kenneth E. III and Marilyn I.  
Earl L. and Shirley M.  
William R. and Karen M.  
Michael J. and Judith E.

## November

8 Daryl Eric McKnight  
21 David Robert Berry  
26 Kelly Amber Aguda

Daryl S. and Theresa A.  
William E. and Sally J.  
Timothy F. and Margaret P.

## December

3 Jeffrey Scott Hillock  
18 Jeffrey Allen Burke, Jr.  
25 Jacob Earl Savage  
30 Donald Frederick Lincoln  
30 Abigail Margaret Preece  
31 John Leslie Drew, Jr.

Walter F. and Charlene G.  
Jeffrey A. and Becky J.  
Arthur F. and Rhea U.  
Wayne P. and Joy E.  
Colin L. and Annette  
John L. and Jorene A.

## MARRIAGES

### Date

### Groom

### Bride

## January

12 Paul Davis Porter  
17 Paul Bronislaw Gemborys  
19 John William Rowe  
26 Calvin Lloyd Taylor

Elizabeth Emilie Krlic  
Linda Joanne (Moore) Reger  
Vickie Ann Young  
Pamela Ann Savage

## February

2 Russell Sewell Johnson, Jr.  
9 Robert Lee Shufelt  
11 John Michael Hayes  
16 Donald Lawrence Carpenter, Sr.  
23 Edward Austin Tacy, Jr.

Elizabeth Jean Hozempa  
Ruth Lillian (Fournier) Duguay  
Shirley May Bergquist  
Paula Marie Johnson  
Evelyn Lorraine (Sanderson)  
Johnson

## March

2 David Arnold Fisher  
2 Charles Edward Stacy  
9 Daniel Frederick Robinson  
14 Napoleon Louis Bourget  
16 Kerry Jacquith Campbell  
30 Daryl Scott McKnight

Lisette Claudette Ducharme  
Janice Lee Corey  
Janet Joyce Whaland  
Margaret Louise Phelps  
Catherine Mabel Haskins  
Theresa Ann Britt

## April

13 Robert Joseph DeSanto

Carol Ann (Marz) Manjourea

13 Michael Patrick Roche  
 14 William Michael Kenney  
 20 Lawrence Joseph Rouisse, Jr.  
 27 Joseph Stanley Jaiceris  
 28 Michael Allen Richards

Penelope Hope Hadfield  
 Marilyn Florence McCarthy  
 Lori Whitney  
 Diane Mary Sawyer  
 Toni Gale Savage

#### May

11 Darryl Paul Chaisson  
 11 Daryl Richard Bargerion  
 18 William Charles Gaida  
 25 John Adam Drozdowski  
 25 Jackson Wayne Cox

Candace Marie Matthews  
 Paula Mae Smith  
 Carlie Ellen Comerford  
 Lorrie Ann Burgess  
 Janis Jean Blackmer

#### June

1 Stephan Edward Thompson  
 1 Michael Edward Dorsey  
 8 Dennis Anthony Piragis  
 8 Kenneth Mack Whitmore, Jr.  
 8 Robert Stanley Zaikowski  
 15 Michael Richard Rathburn  
 15 Charles Ernest Fontaine  
 21 Lawrence Alan Baker  
 21 Elbert Winfield McCassie III  
 22 Jean Guy Tourigny  
 22 John Charles Rowe  
 28 Stanley William Roberts  
 28 Jeffrey Allen Burke  
 29 David Carl Petruski  
 29 Bernard Dexter Davis

Pamela Jean Holston  
 Kathleen Louise Rouleau  
 Julie Ann Piro  
 Christine Mae Wing  
 Nancy Marie Potter  
 Susan Lee Douglas  
 Kathy Jeanne Gauvin  
 Monica Louise Belliveau  
 Pauline Mary (Zupkowski)  
 Cadiero  
 Rochelle Theresa (Baldic)  
 Macomber  
 Patti-Jo Martin  
 Dorothy Wilma (Harvey)  
 Rabidou  
 Becky Jo Rivers  
 Linda Carr  
 Judith A. (Clark) Willard

#### July

4 Walter Charles Thompson  
 5 Paul A. Young  
 6 Harold Chester Page, Jr.  
 6 Gilles Lambert Beaudin  
 12 Fred Lincoln Heyes  
 12 Colin Lester Preece  
 13 Jayleon Charles Partridge  
 13 Barry Leon LaBombarde  
 14 Peter H. Tadd  
 19 Jerry M. Currier

Concetta Marie (Cortesa) Puppel  
 Lucille Betty (Cox) Larrabee  
 Starla Rae Duguay  
 Evelyn Hazel (Matthews)  
 McPherson  
 Mary Grace Perkins  
 Annette Carey  
 Cynthia Rose Whittier  
 Patricia Ann Barnicle  
 Ellen S. Rosen  
 Martha Whitney

20 Duane Emile Hathaway  
 20 Kenneth Evan Songer  
 20 Jacob Antony Strunjo  
 26 Donald Vernon Johnson  
 26 Darrell Guy Cleveland  
 27 Emil O. Avdic  
 27 Gerald Anthony LaBonte

Marion MacDonald Jennette  
 Lucille Evelyn Ballou  
 Leslie Ann Cucchi  
 Donna Ethel Kimball  
 Karen Elizabeth Prue  
 Lynn S. Buxton  
 Wendy Jane Hurt

#### August

3 Robert Earl Stone  
  
 3 John Wilson Wheeler II  
 3 William Richard Johnston, Jr.  
 7 Jerrold Howard Bowers  
 9 Richard Paul Brazeau  
 10 David C. Gordon  
 10 Alfred Edmund Bruno  
 10 Wayne Farrell Sanborn  
 16 Barry Delva Raymond  
 17 Rodney William Goodrum  
 17 Richard Everett Walsh  
 17 James Robert VonDeck  
 31 Timothy Ernest Atherton  
 31 Merton Elroy Stevens

Kay Louise (MacKinnon) Sansoucie  
 Mary Margaret Hayden  
 Karen Marie Maynard  
 Susan Ann Rondeau  
 Debhra Jane (O'Lari) Stone  
 Joanna M. Parrish  
 Geraldine Ann (Harris) Zink  
 Jean Marie Cellana  
 Diane Lee Winters  
 Kathleen Ann Tibbetts  
 Mary Katharine Rossi  
 Florence Eva Bowers  
 Janet Estelle Lyford  
 Victoria Jean (Noel) Margeson

#### September

7 Brian C. Peters  
 7 David Alan Stevens  
 14 John Lawrence Zanga  
 19 Kenneth Allen Reynolds  
 27 William D. Goodwin  
 28 Carl Vern Willar, Jr.  
 28 Vincent James Burba

Emily R. Matthews  
 Terri-Lee Macomber  
 Eileen Mary Holston  
 Gloria Ann (Knapp) Dombroski  
 Ann M. Courtemanche  
 Patricia Ann Snape  
 Deborah Ann Paige

#### October

5 Edward Porter  
 5 Peter Wells Van Voorhis  
 5 Gary Brian Willard  
 5 Zane Carson Carey  
 12 Peter Jay Guertin  
 12 Michael Peter Carey  
 12 Edward Joseph Logan  
  
 18 Frederick William Woods  
 19 Rowell Joseph Lefrancois

Anna Selina (Bergeron) Stowell  
 Mary Angela Benedetti  
 Debra Ann Gallagher  
 Sandra Louise Wilbar  
 Elaine Doris McCobb  
 Margaret Jan Sanger  
 Marion Caroline (Calcari) LaClaire  
 Lynne Frances (Putna,) Harris  
 Barbara Anne Nutter



19 William Wallace McLaren  
 26 John S. Foye  
 26 John Edward Jefferson

Barbara Joanne Bacon  
 Laura K. Plante  
 Cheryl Irene Salls

#### November

1 David Michael Vorce  
 9 Barry Joseph Turcer  
 9 A. Clifford Anderson  
 15 Bertram Edgar Dugan  
 15 John Clayton Swan  
 16 James Scott Hiscock  
 30 Michael Joseph Musante

Susan Patricia Sherman  
 Deborah Mae Stowell  
 Jacqueline D. (Brant) Broadhurst  
 Evelyn Florence (James) Henry  
 Christine Josephine (Krlie) Cole  
 April Theresa McKenna  
 Susan Edith Raymond

#### December

6 Jerome Leff  
 7 Wayne Arthur Gelinaz  
 7 Alfred Ernest Adams  
 14 John E. Ward, Jr.  
 21 Clarence Arthur Whitcomb  
 24 Dick Ti Tung  
 28 Franklin Charles Doubleday

Roberta (Coombs) Winseck  
 Linda Mae Healy  
 Katherine Lucille (Dubia) Roy  
 Judith Ann (Bezio) Whiting  
 Ruth Elizabeth (Finch) Davis  
 Shu-mei Kiang  
 Karen (Reid) McKenney

### DEATHS

Date	Name	Address
January		
1	Mertie (Swett) Fisk	South Road
8	Fernand Joseph Gamache	208 East Main St.
10	Charlotte L. (Keay) Thorstensen	Off South Main St.
15	Flora A. (Gingras) Smith	60 Prentiss St.
18	Wyman Francis Whitney, Sr.	40 Shelter St.
26	Ethel M. (Griffin) Shaw	21 Logan Ave.
29	Maud N. (Stiles) Ballou	11½ North Main St.
30	Cleo S. Waid	181 Daniel Shaws Hwy.
February		
2	Mary A. (Cartwright) Lynch	417 South Main St.
5	Gertrude B. (Lawrence) Dirth	1 High St.
5	George Augustus Dexter	45 Fountain St.
11	Anne O. (Hallquist) Lundgren	7½ West Main St.

15	Ellen M. (Anderson) Engwall	200 East Main St.
16	A. Frances Ballard	150 Pleasant St.
19	Pearl Lila (LeClaire) White	5 Rosemont Ave.
19	John Edwin Hitchcock	North Main St.
27	Martin G. Johnson	11½ North Main St.

#### March

2	Lina J. (Sprout) McKnight	14 East Main St.
2	Dorothy M. (Brown) Fleming	100 King St.
16	Mary Martha (Oates) LaClair	276 East Main St.
23	Imelda (Young) VonDeck	17½ Daniel Shays Hwy.

#### April

3	Brenda Danella Holden	14 East Main St.
4	Frederick Boynton Squires	200 East River St.
8	John P. Lapenas	New Athol Road
10	Mary M. (Walker) Reynolds	31 Pleasant St.
11	Chester H. Hazlett	30 Cottage St.
11	Mary C. (Marble) Moore	265 Wheeler Ave.
15	Floyd Rolan Crowl	188 Brookside Rd.
15	Florence (Lymanstone) Cudworth	23 Terrace St.
19	Helen F. (Lawless) Collins	Milltown, Maine
22	Jacqueline L. (Clukey) Woods	507 East Main St.
27	Roger Henry Love	25 Gay St.

#### May

3	Christina B. (Pelletier) Blackbird	240 Tully Rd.
6	William Albert Lucia	261 North Main St.
12	Daisy A. (Hartwell) Johnson	11½ North Main St.
12	Joseph E. Prentiss	71 West River St.
14	Ethel B. (White) Murchie	208 East Main St.
18	Anthony Lawrence Leslie	614 South Main St.
25	Milton Perry Greene	Millers Falls, Mass.
26	Francis Foster Parsons	18 Shelter St.
31	Agnes C. (Rogers) Demars	11 Whitney St.

#### June

9	Jessie (Hobbs) Dunshee	75 East Main St.
10	Maurice Buskey	89 Mechanic St.
16	John Henry Hitchcock	Warwick Road
18	Albert E. Brouillet	12 Evergreen Drive
20	Charles Henry Paul	99 West Orange Rd.

#### July

1	Martha Madeline (Timmons) Putnam	80 High St.
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8	Agnes P. (Parker) Terry	13 Howe St.
10	Leslie E. Holston Sr.	121 Main St., No. Orange
24	Mary E. (Newman) Liston	76 Adams St.

#### August

4	Olive E. (Ham) Merritt	222 East River St.
18	Francis E. Gallagher	52 Whitney St.
19	Maurice Holden Paige	10 Main St., No. O.
21	Jessie E. (Williams) Chenausky	Town Farm Road
25	Sara Ethel (Bailey) Pentreath	138 Prentiss St.
30	Charles Lawrence	1 High St.
30	Ralph H. Woodard	30 Bacon St.

#### September

3	Louise M. (Reed) Granger	28 South Main St.
8	Clarence L. Woods	235 South Main St.
12	Frank Roswell Allen	239 South Main St.
17	Henry N. DeWolf	14 Prentiss St.
17	Arlene (MacKnight) Wade	22 Mechanic St.
23	William Henry Blackmer	97 Main St., No. O.
27	Robert Clifford Blake	35 East Main St.

#### October

9	John W. Dale	200 East River St.
13	Arthur Haskell Balch	39 Terrace St.
14	John Paoletti	28 Cheney St.
15	Marjory S. (Curtis) Simonds	176 South Main St.
16	John E. Bresnahan, Jr.	236 South Main St.
17	Harold Alonzo Dresser	Off South Main St.
21	Andrew Douglas Kirkpatrick	720 North Main St.
22	Marilyn F. (McCarthy) Kenney	82 Mechanic St.
25	Helen L. (Stevenson) Dale	200 East River St.

#### November

21	Gladys C. Hunt	702 South Main St.
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#### December

2	Thomas Joseph Hanlon	161 West Main St.
11	Edith E. (Childs) Parker	75 East Main St.
14	Alice Gertrude (O'Brien) Moody	200 East River St.
23	Norman Robert Autio	Old South Road
26	Chester Harry Matthews	202 East Main St.

## FISHERMEN'S HUNTERS' AND TRAPPERS' LICENSES

Resident Citizens' Fishing Licenses	438
Resident Citizens' Hunting Licenses	164
Resident Citizens' Sporting Licenses	212
Resident Citizens' Minor Fishing Licenses	50
Resident Citizens' Trapping Licenses	2
Spec. Non Resident Fishing Licenses (7 days)	18
Non-Resident and Alien Fishing Licenses	15
Non-Resident Hunting Licenses	1
Duplicate Licenses	18
Archery Deer Stamps	29
Waterfowl Stamps	48
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Resident Citizens' Fishing, Hunting and Trapping Licenses 70 years and older	90
Resident Citizens' Fishing Licenses OAA	1
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	91

Total number of licenses issued	1,086
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## DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

Male Dogs	447
Female Dogs	91
Spayed Females Dogs	273
Kennel Licenses (\$10.00)	51
Kennel Licenses (\$25.00)	2
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All dogs must be licensed in March for the year April 1 to the following March 31. Also, dogs must be licensed when they become three months old from that date to the following March 31, at which time they must be re-licensed.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH B. SMITH, Town Clerk



## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The report of the Accounting Department covering the financial transactions of the Town of Orange for the year 1974 is herewith respectfully submitted:

### RECEIPTS

#### TAXES:

##### Local:

Real Estate	\$1,144,369.61	
Personal Property	84,778.01	
Farm Animal Excise	706.90	
Tax Title Redemptions	7,650.13	
Tax Possessions Sold	12,925.00	
Reimbursement Loss of Taxes	4,046.15	
Reimbursement Tax Exemptions	14,279.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,268,754.80

##### From the State:

Income and Sales Taxes:		
Education Basis G.L.Ch.70	\$682,440.50	
Reg. School District Aid Ch.71	103,641.00	
Corporation Tax	12,559.46	
Local Aid — Lottery Ch.58	62,810.38	
	<hr/>	861,451.34

#### LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Alcoholic Beverage	\$ 3,970.00	
Other Licenses	1,363.00	
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COURT FINES	1,212.50
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#### GRANTS AND GIFTS:

##### From the Federal Government:

##### School:

Public Law 874 Title I	\$33,809.00
School Library Title II	1,586.66
N.D.E.A. Title III	4.10
Public Law 91-230 S.E.A.M.	9,350.00
Food Service — School Lunches	36,517.06

Other purposes:		
Revenue Sharing	73,242.00	
		154,508.82

From the State:		
School:		
Special Education Grant	\$51,239.00	
Transportation	40,014.80	
Vocational Education	27,706.00	
Food Service — School Lunches	7,872.24	
Other Purposes:		
Highways — Chapter 497	95,164.70	
Highways — Chapter 81	6,912.50	
Highways — Chapter 1140	125,512.00	
Highways — Chapter 825	31,093.00	
Library Aid — Ch. 672, Acts 1963	2,289.00	
		387,803.24

From the County:		
Dog Fund	\$ 1,618.68	
Dutch Elm Disease Control	1,105.35	
		2,724.03

TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE		\$2,681,787.73
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### COMMERCIAL REVENUE

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS:		
Sewer Rentals	\$ 7,168.00	
PRIVILEGES:		
Motor Vehicle Exise Taxes	156,366.37	
TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE		\$163,534.37

### DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:	
Tax Costs	\$ 2,124.00
Town Clerk's Fees	1,052.85
Liquor ID cards	28.00
Raffle Permits	130.00
Marriage Licenses	316.00
Certification Mun. Liens	36.00

Reimb. Land Court Fees	19.00	
Tax Title Adv. Costs	10.00	
Town Hall Rentals	1,763.00	
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		5,478.85

#### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

Police Department:		
Firearms I.D. Cards	\$ 168.00	
Copies of Reports	266.00	
Reimb. Damage to Cruiser	70.00	
Fire Dept. Permits	972.50	
Use of Ambulance	4,099.50	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	181.30	
Dog Officer	262.00	
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		6,019.30

#### HEALTH AND SANITATION:

Board of Health Licenses	\$ 855.75	
Trailer Fees	3,684.00	
Sewer Connections	900.00	
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		5,439.75

#### HIGHWAYS:

State and County Chap.90	\$ 8,000.00	
Reimb. Damage to fence & vehicles	2,470.62	
Machinery Rental	320.00	
Sale of Materials	77.74	
Use of Machinery	9,118.06	
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		19,986.42

#### VETERANS' SERVICES:

Reimbursement for relief		33,363.64
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#### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT:

Rent of Facilities	\$ 240.60	
Transportation Other Towns	3,263.99	
School Lunch Receipts	26,901.76	
Sale of Books and Desks	120.18	
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		30,526.53

#### LIBRARIES:

Cards and fines		391.88
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#### UNCLASSIFIED:

Telephone Booth receipts	\$ 337.94	
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Planning Board Hearings	44.00	
Refund check refused	20.20	
Rent of Tax Title Land	150.00	
TV Cable License Fee	438.50	
	<hr/>	990.64

TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE	\$102,197.01
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## ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

### AIRPORT:

Rentals	\$ 250.00	
Reimb. Adm. Building	612.97	
	<hr/>	\$ 862.97

### WATER DEPARTMENT:

Water Rates	\$81,471.94	
Water Services	8,382.31	
	<hr/>	89,854.25

### CEMETERY DEPARTMENT:

Care of Lots	\$ 115.00	
Burials	3,243.00	
Foundations	442.90	
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TOTAL ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES	\$94,518.12
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## INTEREST AND DEBT

### INTEREST:

On. R.E. and M.V.E. Taxes	\$ 8,539.21	
On Tax Titles	2,250.83	
On Cemetery Perpetual Car Funds	6,115.14	
Leland Moore Library Fund	645.30	
Marion Davis Library Fund	270.00	
Group Insurance Dividend	1,011.00	
	<hr/>	\$18,831.48

### DEBT:

Temp. Loan Anticipation Reimb.	\$30,725.00
Fiscal Cycle Loan Acts of 1973	60,000.00



Butterfield School Imp. Loan	139,500.00	
		<u>230,225.00</u>
TOTAL INTEREST AND DEBT		\$249,056.48

#### AGENCY, TRUST AND REFUNDS

##### AGENCY:

Dog Licenses for County	\$ 3,048.36	
Payroll Deductions:		
State Withholding Tax	34,557.54	
Group Insurance	11,547.29	
Retirement Fund	18,127.93	
Washington National Insurance	1,018.14	
Teachers' Dues	2,247.00	
		<u>\$ 70,546.26</u>

##### TRUST FUNDS:

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$ 6,120.00	
Revenue Sharing Funds Invested	46,000.00	
		<u>52,120.00</u>

##### REFUNDS:

Petty Cash Refund	\$ 100.00	
General Government	256.86	
Protection of Persons & Property	4.00	
Highways	901.92	
Veterans' Benefits	1,466.29	
Tailings	1,616.40	
Group Insurance	87.00	
		<u>4,432.47</u>

TOTAL AGENCY, TRUST AND REFUNDS	\$127,098.73
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#### RECAPITULATION

Cash on Hand January 1, 1974	\$ 640,158.56
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##### RECEIPTS:

General Revenue	\$ 2,681,787.73
Commercial Revenue	163,534.37
Departmental Revenue	102,197.01
Enterprises and Cemeteries	94,518.12

Interest and Debt	249,056.48	
Agency, Trust and Refunds	127,098.73	
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TOTAL RECEIPTS		3,418,192.44
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TOTAL RECIEPTS AND CASH ON HAND		\$4,058,351.00

## PAYMENTS

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### TOWN OFFICERS' BONDS

Town Clerk	\$ 10.00	
Treasurer	223.00	
Collector	374.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 607.00

#### SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Selectmen's Salaries		2,700.00
Moderator	\$ 25.00	
Forms and Supplies	279.20	
Telephone	282.10	
Posting & Publishing Warrants	622.83	
Travel and Expense to Meetings	471.00	
Other Expenses	551.60	
	<hr/>	2,231.73

#### GENERAL OFFICE

Salaries and Wages		6,599.70
Envelopes and Postage	\$ 1,104.96	
Equipment and Supplies	652.80	
Telephone	45.59	
Maint. of Equipment	447.73	
	<hr/>	2,251.08

#### ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT

Salary		6,833.00
Supplies and Equipment		75.93

#### TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

Salary		3,396.38
Supplies and equipment, etc.		539.90

FORECLOSURE EXPENSE		2,354.28
COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT		
Salary		5,375.23
Tax Bills, postage and supplies		1,343.48
ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT		
Salaries		2,850.00
Supplies, Transportation, etc.		1,845.48
TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT		
Salary		3,282.10
Supplies and Equipment		500.30
ELECTION AND REGISTRATION		
Salaries Registrars, Clerks and Election Officers	\$ 1,385.00	
Voting Lists	935.30	
Supplies and Equipment	319.90	
Listing residents	400.00	
Other	255.30	
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		3,295.50
PLANNING BOARD EXPENSE		1,309.76
TOWN COUNSEL		1,785.50
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT		2,500.00
FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE		351.00
SEWERAGE FACILITIES COMMITTEE		446.46
TOWN HALL MAINTENANCE		
Janitor	\$ 1,585.66	
Fuel and Light	5,181.58	
Repairs	1,456.91	
Equipment and Supplies	729.85	
Liability and Boiler Insurance	262.34	
Other Expenses	225.00	
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		9,441.34
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TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		\$61,915.15

## PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Salaries and Wages		\$73,234.43
Telephone	\$ 880.09	
Radio Repairs	236.99	
Supplies	1,699.00	
Investigation Expense	132.62	
Expense to Schooling	916.00	
Accident Insurance	520.00	
Assoc. Dues	40.00	
Other Expenses	242.92	
		4,667.62
Uniforms		1,996.20

### POLICE CAR

Gas, Oil & Lubrication	\$ 2,587.56	
Repairs	1,213.18	
Tires and Tubes	501.31	
Registration and Insurance	757.25	
Supplies	147.75	
		5,207.05

### NEW POLICE CAR

2,890.00

### DOG EXPENSE

264.00

### AMBULANCE

Drivers and Helpers	\$ 3,738.15	
Gas, Oil and Lubrication	517.18	
Repairs and Supplies	414.05	
Tires	131.74	
Laundry	44.00	
Insurance	386.21	
		5,231.33

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries and Wages		41,109.83
Gas, Oil & Repairs — Trucks	\$ 1,492.78	
Fuel and Lights	2,765.39	
Telephone	759.47	
Repairs and Supplies	2,085.50	
Laundry	210.01	
Insurance	711.33	
Hose and Equipment	387.50	



Other expenses	1,902.03	
		10,314.01
NEW BASE STATION		1,302.69
LADDER TRUCK IMPROVEMENTS		97.56
FIRE ALARM MAINTENANCE		
Care	\$ 930.00	
Labor	574.00	
Supplies and wire	174.17	
		1,678.17
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		200.00
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR		323.35
MOTH SUPPRESSION		519.00
TREE WARDEN		
Superintendent	\$1,125.00	
Labor	276.00	
Use of Truck	630.00	
Supplies	130.55	
Tree Removal	1,491.36	
Trees Planted	120.50	
		3,773.41
DUTCH ELM DISEASE CONTROL		
Superintendent	\$ 1,896.00	
Labor	672.00	
Supplies and Equipment	271.34	
Use of Truck	1,125.00	
Tree Removal	2,607.83	
		6,572.17
CIVIL DEFENSE		102.00
FOREST FIRE WARDEN		
Warden	240.00	
Firemen	1,822.50	
		2,062.50
TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY		\$161,545.32

## HEALTH AND SANITATION

### BOARD OF HEALTH

Salaries — Board		150.00
Office supplies, dues, etc.	\$ 143.15	
Plumbing Inspector	653.00	
Milk Inspector	150.00	
Sanitary Agent	537.50	
Public Health Nurse	2,125.00	
Other expenses	35.58	
		3,644.23

MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC 1,289.00

RUBBISH COLLECTION AND CARE OF DUMP 32,948.51

### SEWER MAINTENANCE

Labor	\$ 1,862.77	
Pipe and Supplies	1,106.66	
		2,969.43

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS 262.50

EAST RIVER STREET SEWER EXT. 2,733.20

WALNUT HILL SEWER EXTENSION 1,128.71

TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION \$45,125.58

## HIGHWAYS

### MUNICIPAL BUILDING

Fuel and Lights	\$ 3,731.67	
Telephone	323.43	
Repairs and Supplies	813.81	
		\$ 4,868.91

### SNOW AND ICE

Labor	\$21,542.23	
Salt, sand and supplies	5,083.19	
		26,625.42

#### ROAD MACHINERY REPAIR AND OPERATION

Labor	\$ 5,299.51	
Gas and Oil	8,845.67	
Repairs and Parts, Supplies	7,766.58	
Tires	1,614.27	
Registration & Insurance	3,070.94	
Shipping Charges	36.58	
Other Expenses	176.92	
	<hr/>	26,810.47

#### CHAPTER 81

Labor	\$11,769.04	
Use of Equipment	4,182.80	
Rent of Equipment	3,062.50	
Stone, sand and gravel	4,989.60	
Road Compounds	9,721.06	
	<hr/>	33,725.00

#### CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Labor	\$ 1,730.48	
Use of Equipment	354.46	
Stone	381.11	
Road Compounds	8,873.07	
Guard Rail	660.88	
	<hr/>	12,000.00

#### CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION 1972 ACCT.

Labor	\$10,846.16	
Use of Equipment	4,562.80	
Rent of Equipment	1,630.00	
Culvert Pipe	749.59	
Dynamite and caps	730.00	
	<hr/>	18,518.55

#### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Labor	\$14,670.18	
Equipment and Supplies	975.75	
Sand & Gravel	1,327.87	
Road Compounds	151.99	
Cement	909.75	
Office Supplies	9.03	
Other expense	377.91	
	<hr/>	18,422.48

CHAPTER 1140 HIGHWAY FUND

Labor	\$31,131.56	
Supplies & Equipment	3,814.38	
Road Compounds	2,939.79	
Sand and Gravel	3,552.75	
Signs	214.72	
Cement Blocks	654.40	
Culvert Pipe	2,951.66	
Other expenses	341.50	
		45,600.76
MACHINERY PURCHASE (Grader)		30,000.00
TOWN BARN ADDITION		1,234.81
NEW HEATER — TOWN BARN		9,840.00
EAST ROAD REPAIR		37.32
TULLY DAM REPAIR		105.51
NORTH MAIN STREET DRAINAGE		2,407.05
FLOOD CONTROL		504.31
STREET AND TRAFFIC LIGHTS		12,565.17
DRINKING FOUNTAIN		21.00
FENCE VIEWERS		37.50
TOTAL HIGHWAYS		\$243,324.26

VETERANS' BENEFITS

VETERANS' SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	\$ 6,548.64
VETERANS' BENEFITS	65,721.07
TOTAL VETERANS' BENEFITS	\$72,269.71

## EDUCATION

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT — ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and Wages	\$25,920.08	
Travel Expense	655.63	
Supplies, printing, postage	1,150.32	
Dues	846.00	
Other expenses	259.65	
	<hr/>	\$28,831.68

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT — INSTRUCTION

Teachers and Supervisors	\$438,581.42	
Clerks, aides and other	21,166.34	
Books and Supplies	33,239.86	
Teachers' Travel	516.86	
Other expenses	104.00	
	<hr/>	493,608.48

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT — OPERATION

Janitors	\$ 30,410.01	
Telephone	2,075.63	
Fuel and lights	29,420.43	
Supplies and repairs	22,740.82	
Rubbish and Snow Removal	924.00	
Maint. of equipment	2,673.42	
Other expense	107.76	
	<hr/>	88,352.07

### SCHOOLS — AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Transportation	\$54,518.33	
School Physician	1,950.00	
School Nurse	5,295.02	
Health Supplies	83.00	
Insurance	792.10	
Truant Officer	150.00	
Rent of Office	1,620.00	
Cafeteria Manager	2,247.37	
Lunchroom Payrolls	5,560.82	
Nurse's Travel	100.00	
	<hr/>	72,316.64

### SCHOOLS — NEW EQUIPMENT

4,202.32

### VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

Tuition	\$26,344.62
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Transportation	<u>14,391.72</u>	40,736.34
STATE GRANT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION		14,155.28
DEXTER PARK SCHOOL ADDITION		1,551.01
BUTTERFIELD SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS		120,541.73
REGIONAL SCHOOL ASSESSMENT		927,144.54
TITLE I SCHOOL YEAR PROG.		16,621.02
TITLE I SUMMER PROGRAM		21,839.27
TITLE II SCHOOL LIBRARY		1,584.25
FEDERAL GRANT PUB. LAW 91-230 S.E.A.M.		3,741.48
SCHOOL LUNCHROOM		
Salaries and Wages	\$15,470.01	
Milk and Groceries	42,193.56	
Supplies and Equipment	2,264.19	
Trucking Meals	2,145.00	
Repairs	86.00	
Shipping Charges	86.00	
Return of State Reimb. made in error	4,087.71	
Petty Cash	<u>50.00</u>	
		<u>66,592.69</u>
TOTAL EDUCATION		\$1,901,818.80

#### LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

LIBRARY		
Salaries and Wages		\$18,111.77
Books and Periodicals	\$ 3,932.66	
Supplies and repairs	2,685.27	
Fuel and Lights	2,225.88	
Insurance	153.00	
Rubbish Removal	37.00	
Other expenses	<u>661.24</u>	
		9,695.05

LELAND MOORE LIBRARY FUND	510.00
SADIE ORCUTT LIBRARY FUND	652.13
PHOEBE LEE HOSMER LIBRARY MUSIC FUND	185.50
TOTAL LIBRARIES	<u>\$29,154.45</u>

#### RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

##### PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Superintendent	\$ 300.00	
Labor	3,270.47	
Supplies and Repairs	298.40	
Lights	81.84	
Rent of Chemical toilets	460.00	
Paving Basketball court	250.93	
	<u></u>	4,661.64

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	1,408.64
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GODDARD PARK FUND	48.18
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LAKE MATTAWA SURVEY	335.00
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##### LIFE GUARD AND SWIMMING INSTRUCTION

Life Guard	\$ 555.00	
Swimming Instruction	500.00	
	<u></u>	1,055.00

##### RECREATION PROGRAM

Summer Payroll	\$ 750.00	
Basketball Program	885.00	
	<u></u>	1,635.00

FISH AND GAME DISTRIBUTION	575.00
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##### MEMORIAL HALL MAINTENANCE

Janitor	\$ 600.00	
Fuel and Lights	1,523.75	
Repairs	218.89	
Liability and boiler insurance	291.33	
	<u></u>	2,633.97

MEMORIAL DAY	217.75
TOWN REPORTS	1,924.00
PARKING LOT	101.00
BAND CONCERTS	900.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION EXPENSE	127.94
GROUP INSURANCE	25,154.91
COMPENSATION INSURANCE	8,321.00
FIRE INSURANCE TOWN BUILDINGS	7,609.00
ALICE S. MANN TRUST FUND INCOME	11.00
BILLS PRIOR YEARS	917.33
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TOTAL RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED	\$ 57,636.36

#### ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

AIRPORT — ADMINISTRATION	
Insurance	\$ 837.00
AIRPORT — Building and Equipment Maint.	
Buildings:	
Fuel and Lights	\$ 1,068.15
Supplies and repairs	225.39
Beacon	414.92
Tractor	47.90
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	1,756.36
AIRPORT MAINTENANCE	
Snow Removal	\$ 778.56
Mowing	468.66
Brush Cutting	215.00
Runway Lights	1,740.32
Rubbish Removal	78.00
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	3,280.54
WATER DEPARTMENT	
Board Salaries	225.00

Salaries and Wages		33,886.41
Power and Lights	\$11,010.83	
Telephone	472.34	
Fuel	1,741.10	
Repairs	192.21	
Tools and Supplies	1,686.80	
Truck Operation:		
Repairs and Tires	429.38	
Gas and Oil	718.48	
Reg. and Insurance	95.85	
Fire Ins. Buildings	532.00	
Other Expenses	523.15	
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		17,402.14
WATER DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT		
Meters	\$ 4,679.23	
Pipe and Fittings	1,785.81	
Copper Tubing	917.40	
Hydrants and Repairs	1,784.29	
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		9,166.73
HOLSTSHIRE PUMPING STATION		555.63
SHINGLE SWAMP ROAD WATER EXTENSION		633.75
ENGINEERING SURVEY NEW SUPPLY		3,400.00
MAGEE MEADOW WELL		911.65
CEMETERY DEPARTMENT		
Board Salaries		112.50
Salaries and Wages		21,815.89
Telephone	\$ 113.71	
Equipment	279.24	
Equipment Repairs	262.10	
Supplies	444.10	
Fuel Oil	377.84	
Truck Repairs	218.83	
Gas and Oil	327.08	
Registration and Insurance	90.35	
Plants and other expenses	635.78	
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		2,749.03
NEW CEMETERY TRUCK		4,624.00

CEMETERY FLOWER FUNDS INCOME	38.50
TOTAL ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES	\$101,395.13

# INTEREST AND DEBT

INTEREST	
Temporary Loans	\$ 686.48
Dexter Park School Loan	8,670.00
Sewage Disposal Plans Loan	3,200.00
	<u>12,556.48</u>
MATURING DEBT	
Temporary Loans	\$30,725.00
Dexter Park School Addition Loan	25,000.00
Sewage Facilities Plans	20,000.00
	<u>75,725.00</u>
TOTAL INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT	\$88,281.48

# AGENCY, TRUST AND REFUNDS

AGENCY:	
Payroll Deductions:	
State Tax	\$ 30,920.65
Retirement	16,669.45
Group Insurance	10,009.07
Washington Insurance	1,040.79
Teachers' Dues	2,013.00
Other Agency:	
State Parks and Reservation Tax	19,333.36
Auditing Tax	14,339.88
County Tax	82,943.10
Dog Licenses	2,943.30
Retirement Assessment	31,132.00
M.V.E. Tax Bills	806.25
State Assessment System	247.52
Air Pollution Control	492.58
Retired Teachers' Group Ins.	2,115.75
	<u>\$215,006.70</u>
TRUST FUNDS	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$ 6,140.00



Revenue Sharing Funds Invested	61,080.00	
		67,222.00
REFUNDS		
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 6,565.59	
Personal Property Taxes	24.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	3,001.30	
Sewer Department	50.00	
Water Department	189.39	
Other Refunds	437.75	
		10,268.03
TOTAL AGENCY, TRUST AND REFUNDS		\$292,494.73

#### RECAPITULATION

##### PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1974

General Government	\$ 61,915.15	
Protection of Persons and Property	161,545.32	
Health and Sanitation	45,125.58	
Highways	243,324.26	
Veterans Benefits	72,269.71	
Education	1,901,818.80	
Libraries	29,154.45	
Recreation and Unclassified	57,636.36	
Enterprises and Cemeteries	101,395.13	
Interest and Debt	88,281.48	
Agency, Trust and Refunds	292,494.73	
		\$3,054,960.97
Cash on Hand January 1, 1974	\$ 640,158.56	
Total Receipts 1974	3,418,192.44	
Total Receipts and Cash on Hand	\$4,058,351.00	
Total Expenditures 1974	3,054,960.97	
Cash on Hand December 31, 1974	\$1,003,390.03	

# TOWN OF ORANGE

## BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1974

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash	\$1,003,203.20	Employee's Payroll Withholdings:	\$ 6,409.15
Special Cash — Revenue Sharing	186.83	State Withholding Tax	3,086.53
Revenue Sharing Funds Invested	95,080.00	Retirement Deductions	125.67
		Washington National Insurance	2,559.57
Petty Cash Advance	150.00	Group Insurance	990.00
		Teachers Dues	<u>13,170.92</u>
			\$
Accounts Receivable:		Tax Title Excess	698.23
Taxes:		Premium on Loan	73.48
Levy of 1968		Trust Fund Income:	
Real Estate		Leland-Moore Library Fund	\$ 1,215.33
Levy of 1969		Marion R. Davis Library Fund	<u>1,460.05</u>
Personal Property	\$ 612.33		
Real Estate	<u>4,853.50</u>	Bequests:	2,675.38
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	3,000.00
Levy of 1970			
Personal Property	\$ 454.50		

Real Estate	<u>6,659.54</u>	7,114.04	Public Law 92-512 Revenue Sharing	45,822.11
Levy of 1971			Federal Grants:	
Personal Property	\$ 600.25		Aid to Education Title I	\$ 5,143.98
Real Estate	<u>7,724.10</u>		Aid to Education Title II	6.51
		8,324.35	Nat'l. Defense Education Act	37.94
Levy of 1972			Federal Proj. S.E.A.M.	<u>5,608.52</u>
Personal Property	\$ 431.35			10,796.95
Real Estate	<u>8,219.61</u>		State Grant — Special Education	37,083.72
Levy of 1973		8,650.96		
Personal Property	\$ 1,617.70		Highway Fund — Chapter 1140	47,067.00
Real Estate	<u>29,322.90</u>		Highway Fund — Chapter 825	31,093.00
Levy of 1974		30,940.60		
Personal Property	\$ 904.65		1974-1975 Revenue Appropriations	1,536,908.64
Real Estate	<u>19,045.24</u>		Fed. Revenue Sharing Appropriations	49,444.72
Levy of 1975		19,949.89		
Personal Property	\$42,485.17		Elementary School Lunchroom	7,842.24
Real Estate	<u>683,956.10</u>			
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes		726,441.27	Overestimates:	
Levy of 1968	\$ 7,023.92		State Parks & Reservation Tax	\$ 191.07
Levy of 1969	6,143.55		Lower Pioneer Valley Air	
Levy of 1970	4,059.99		Pollution Control	16.59
Levy of 1971	3,782.30		County Tax	207.66
Levy of 1972	<u>7,930.52</u>		Special Education	43,263.97
				11,000.00

Levy of 1973	16,887.92				
Levy of 1974	24,456.21				
			70,284.41	Temp. Loan Anticipation Reimb. Ch. 81 and Ch. 90	30,725.00
Farm Animal Excise Taxes					
Levy of 1973			20.00	Sale of Real Estate Fund	9,050.00
Special Assessments:				Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	246.50
Sewer Rentals:				Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Fund	9,988.18
Levy of 1968	\$ 8.00			Tailings Account	962.34
Levy of 1969	28.00			Reserve Fund — Overlay Surplus	136,183.10
Levy of 1970	24.00			Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	
Levy of 1971	32.00		928.00	1969 Overlay	\$ 6,331.71
Levy of 1972	32.00			1970 Overlay	8,249.33
Levy of 1973	128.00		64,089.19	1971 Overlay	9,725.00
Levy of 1974	136.00			1972 Overlay	10,812.57
Levy of 1975	540.00		2,453.30	1973-1974 Overlay	76,381.62
				1975 Overlay	71,584.00
Tax Titles					183,084.23
Tax Possessions				Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Departmental Accounts:				Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	\$70,284.41
Selectmen's Licenses	\$ 5,865.00			Farm Animal Excise Taxes	20.00
Police Department	108.00			Special Assessments	928.00
Ambulance	10,595.90			Departmental Revenue	25,452.33
Board of Health	3,256.00			Water Revenue	23,729.40
Sewer Maintenance	77.79				
Highway Department	550.00				





Overlay Deficits:	1,272.88	
1968 Overlay	726.28	
Loans Authorized	3,200,000.00	
Estimated Receipts	701,420.49	
	<u>\$6,075,717.73</u>	<u>\$6,075,717.73</u>

#### MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$404,500.00	Dexter Park School Addition Loan	\$145,000.00
		Sewage Treatment Fac. Engr. & Plans Loan	60,000.00
		Fiscal Cycle Loan Acts of 1973	60,000.00
		Butterfield School Renovation Loan	139,500.00
	<u>\$404,500.00</u>		<u>\$404,500.00</u>

#### TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	\$323,662.33	Alice S. Mann Trust Fund	\$ 29,330.95
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Asula P. Goddard Charity Fund	8,708.43
Asula P. Goddard Library Fund	3,861.62
Mae Alice Mann Library Trust Fund	2,711.38
George A. Whipple Library Fund	326.97
Sadie M. Orcutt Library Fund	5,564.91
Addie J. Stratton Library Fund	360.31
Lizzie E. Read Library Fund	260.89
Marion S. Fowler Library Fund	352.44
Frank Parker Hosmer Library Fund	7,228.65
Carrie Delle Hosmer Music Fund	7,924.42
Leland-Moore Library Maint. Fund	16,875.00
Marion R. Davis Library Fund	2,400.00
Asula P. Goddard Park Fund	1,254.15
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	166,969.00

Asula P. Goddard Cemetery Fund	3,637.98
Henry L. Moore Cemetery Fund	1,744.20
Ernest H. Putnam Cemetery Fund	498.07
Clara Haas Bannon Cemetery Fund	554.61
John & Selma Oberg Cemetery Flower Fund	534.93
Carl & Lillie Lillestrand Cem. Flower Fund	529.90
Hartson-Fisher Cemetery Flower Fund	316.20
Kidder-Russell Cemetery Flower Fund	342.66
Conservation Fund	2,075.63
Stabilization Fund	59,299.03
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	\$323,662.33
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Respectfully submitted,

Ruth B. Smith, Town Accountant

## DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS

To the Board of Selectmen  
Mr. Allan H. Hawk, Chairman  
Orange, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Orange for the period from August 10, 1969 to July 14, 1973, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Robert M. Crosby, Assistant Chief of Bureau.

Very truly yours,

Gordon A. McGill  
Director of Accounts

Mr. Gordon A. McGill  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
Boston, Massachusetts

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Orange for the period from August 10, 1969, the date of the previous examination, to July 14, 1973, preparatory to the transfer of the treasurer's cash and securities and books and accounts to the newly-appointed temporary treasurer, and preparatory to a recommitment of the outstanding tax, excise, assessment, departmental, and water accounts to the newly-appointed temporary town collector, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and verified by comparison with the records in the offices of the town accountant and the town treasurer.

The books and accounts in the accountant's office were examined and checked, the recorded receipts being compared with the treasurer's books and with the records in the several departments collecting money

for the town. The payments, as entered, were checked with the treasurer's books and with the treasury warrants, while the appropriations, transfers, and loan authorizations were checked with the town clerk's records of financial votes passed by the town meetings and with the finance committee's authorizations of transfers from the reserve fund.

The general and appropriation ledger accounts were analyzed, the necessary adjustments resulting from the audit were made, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on July 14, 1973 was prepared and is appended to this report.

The appended balance sheet shows an overdraft in the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title I Federal Grant account, and attention is called to the fact that expenditures must be limited to the amounts received from the Federal Government for this grant.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The cash book additions were verified, and the receipts as recorded were compared with the accountant's books, with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town, and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury. The recorded payments were checked with the treasury warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds and with the town accountant's records.

The treasurer's cash balance on July 14, 1973 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The Federal Revenue Sharing Funds were examined and checked. The funds received from the Federal government were listed, the appropriations were checked with the town clerk's record of town meetings, and the payments were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds and with the town accountant's records. The cash balance on July 14, 1973 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit.

Violations of the Federal Revenue Sharing Act were noted whereby the 1973 town meetings appropriated sums of money for purposes being prohibited by the Federal Treasury Department, as follows:

Industrial Development	
District	\$3,000.00    Expended \$3,000.00



Conservation Fund	1,000.00	Expended \$1,000.00
Fire Insurance — Town Buildings	18,450.00	Expended \$9,259.00
Traffic Lights Debt	<u>3,000.00</u>	
	\$25,450.00	

In this connection, attention is directed to the provisions of Sub-title A, Clause 3, Section 123 of the Federal Revenue Sharing Act, which provides that a local government will use Federal Revenue Sharing Funds only for priority expenditures and will pay over to the Secretary of the Treasury an amount equal to 110% of any amount expended out of such trust fund in violation of this section, unless such amount is promptly repaid to such trust fund, or the violation is otherwise corrected after notice and opportunity for corrective action.

The books and accounts of the treasurer of the Eastern Franklin Veterans' Service District were examined and checked in conjunction with the audit of the town treasurer's accounts. The receipts, consisting of town assessments and payroll deductions, were analyzed and checked. The payments were checked with the vouchers and payrolls on file, and the cash balance on July 14, 1973 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The records of payroll deductions on account of State taxes, the county retirement system, group insurance, and teachers' insurance and union dues were examined and checked. The deductions were proved, the payments to the proper agencies and the refunds to employees were verified, while the balances in the general treasury on July 14, 1973 were proved with the town accountant's ledger controls.

It is recommended that payroll deductions on account of Federal taxes be entered as receipts in the treasurer's cash book and that payments to the proper agency be entered on the treasury warrants.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the trust and investment funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and listed. The income, the bequests, and the appropriations to the funds were proved, and the withdrawals were verified by comparison with the treasurer's record of receipts.

The records of tax titles and tax possessions held by the town were

examined and checked in detail. The amounts transferred to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the foreclosures were verified, the amounts received on account of redemptions and sales were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts, and the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted. The tax titles and tax possessions on hand July 14, 1973 were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger controls, and were further checked with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

It is again recommended that prompt action be taken to institute foreclosure proceedings on all tax titles held for the statutory period of time, as required by the provisions of Section 50, Chapter 60, General Laws.

The records of funded debt, as well as temporary loans, were examined and checked. The loans issued were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts, while the payments on account of maturing debt, temporary loans, and interest were compared with the amounts falling due and were checked with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The coupons outstanding on July 14, 1973 were listed and checked with the amount on deposit in the bond and coupon account.

The books and accounts of the town collector were examined and checked in detail. The tax, excise, assessment, departmental, and water accounts outstanding at the time of the previous audit, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and proved with the warrants committing them for collection. The collections as recorded on the cash books were checked, the payments to the town treasurer were verified, the transfers to the tax title account were proved, the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' and other departmental records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the town accountant's ledger controls. The town collector's petty cash advance was proved by actual count.

For purposes of verifying the outstanding accounts, notices were mailed to all of the persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

Considerable detailed checking was found necessary to prove the town collector's accounts due to errors in the reporting of the assessors' abatements, which added materially to the time consumed in making the audit.

Aggregates of the outstanding tax and excise levies and departmental accounts were furnished to the board of assessors and other departments for the purpose of recommitment to the newly-appointed temporary town collector.

Attention is again called to the fact that taxes and excise are outstanding as far back as 1967, and that many of the water and other departmental accounts are outstanding for long periods of time, and it is again recommended that prompt action be taken to effect a complete settlement of all the delinquent accounts.

It was noted that for the period of the audit the water commissioners failed to sign the commitments to the town collector for the collection of water rates and services.

The financial records of the town clerk were audited. The receipts from dog and sporting licenses and from recording and miscellaneous licenses and fees were checked. The payments to the town treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified, and the cash balance on July 14, 1973 was proved by actual count of the cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement received from the bank of deposit.

The town clerk's records of financial votes passed by the town meetings were listed, checked in detail with the town accountant's ledger accounts, and compared with the aggregate appropriations used by the assessors in the computation of the tax rates for the period covered by the audit.

The surety bonds of the several town officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of receipts of the sealer of weights and measures, as well as of the fire, highway, school and library departments, and of all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked. The payments to the treasurer were verified, and the cash on hand in the several departments was proved by actual count.

Attention of the cemetery commissioners is called to the provisions of Section 15, Chapter 114 of the General Laws as to the method of handling the proceeds from the sale of cemetery lots. In this connection, amounts received on account of the sale of cemetery lots and the cemetery perpetual care bequests should be segregated and reported in separate accounts, notwithstanding the vote that was passed under

Article 30 at the town meeting held March 3, 1924.

There are appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, tables showing reconciliations of the several cash accounts, summaries of the tax, excise, assessment, tax title, tax possession, departmental, and water accounts, as well as schedules showing the transactions and condition of the trust and investment funds.

During the progress of the audit cooperation was received from all the town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Crosby  
Assistant Chief of Bureau

### **FIRE ALARM REPORT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following report is submitted for the year ending December 31, 1974.

General maintenance and repairs were made  
on the lines and equipment.  
Lines were relocated on North Main Street.

I recommend that the alarm system at the fire station be replaced.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas G. Reynolds  
Superintendent of Fire Alarm



## REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The Board of Assessors submit the following report for the year 1974:

### TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION YEAR 1974

Personal Property	\$ 911,790.00
Real Estate	13,873,595.00
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	\$14,785,385.00

### TOWN APPROPRIATIONS — OVERLAY — STATE AND COUNTY TAXES — FOR 1974-1975

Total Appropriations	\$2,583,379.30
Overlay Deficits	2,090.50
School Lunch and Libraries	10,014.93
Special Education Grant	51,239.00
Retirement Assessment	31,132.00
County Tax	94,828.92
State Recreation Areas	19,524.43
Audit of Municipal Accounts	14,339.88
Health Insurance Programs	2,115.75
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Bills	806.25
State Assessment System	247.52
Air Pollution Control	516.00
Special Education Chapter 766	11,000.00
Overlay for Current Year	160,000.00
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	\$2,981,294.48

### ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FISCAL 1975

1975 Estimated Receipts on Cherry Sheet	\$1,224,132.31
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	105,893.57
Licenses	6,314.00
Fines	2,215.00
Special Assessments	3,764.60
General Government	2,800.25
Protection of Persons and Property	5,038.24
Health and Sanitation	3,368.50
Highways	37.50
Veterans Services	16,199.00
Schools	392.76



Libraries Local Receipts	250.00
Unclassified	1,541.72
Water Department	65,656.17
Cemeteries	4,337.00
Interest	7,221.79
Farm Animal Excise	331.88

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\$1,449,494.29

Overestimates and amounts voted from available funds      \$ 201,115.54

Net amount to be raised by taxation on property      1,330,684.65

Total tax on Personal and Real Estate      \$1,330,684.65

Tax on Sewers      \$ 3,812.00

Tax Rate — \$90 per thousand

Number of parcels assessed:

Number of bills on Real Estate	3,005
Number of bills on Personal Property	287
Number of bills on Farm Animal Excise	5

Number of dwelling houses assessed      1,634

Number of acres of Land Assessed      19,396,900

Respectfully submitted,

Durward E. Cornwell  
Richard R. Hall  
Clarence E. Goodnow

Board of Assessors

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the annual report of the Police Department for the year 1974:

Arrests	349
Accidents Reported	196
Night Lodgers and Incapacitated Persons	113
Store Doors found Unlocked and Secured	107
Street Lights Out	32

Respectfully submitted,

James B. Patrick  
Chief of Police

## **REPORT OF DOG OFFICER**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the annual report of the dog officer for the year 1974.

Dog Complaints	585
Dogs Killed	32

Respectfully submitted,

Robert D. Fiske  
Dog Officer

## INSPECTOR OF WIRES REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following report is submitted for the year ending December 31, 1974.

During the year I have had the co-operation of all the electricians and the Electric Light Company.

Rodney Hunt has an electric furnace in operation which is an improvement.

During the year the Butterfield school has changed their electric system over to three phase and improved the wiring throughout.

The Telephone Company, the Post Office and Carrolls Market all changed to three phase systems.

Applications for permits	246
Service changes	74
Electric and oil water heaters	52
Oil burners heat	18
Range receptacles	5
Dryers	13
Washing machines	5
Exhaust fans	5
Swimming pools	6
Refrigerators	4
New garages	1
Mobile homes, trailers	16
Roof heating cables	2
Electric pumps	1
Houses with electric heat	2
New homes	6
Air conditioning	4
Business & industrial building	2
Gas pumps	3
Dish washers	1
Disposal	3
Temporary service	7

Respectfully submitted,

Leroy E. Fleming  
Inspector of Wires

## WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Water Department for the year 1974.

1974	140,909,000 Gallons of water pumped	
	124,305,500 Gallons of water metered	
1973	160,265,000 Gallons of water pumped	
	126,265,700 Gallons of water metered	
Old meters replaced		40
Meters repaired		46
New services installed		14
Old services renewed		3
Services turned on or off at owner's request		82
Frozen meters		11
Hydrants damaged by motor vehicles repaired		12
Obsolete hydrants replaced		2
Leak in main pipe repaired		1
Leaks in service pipes repaired		7
Samples of water sent to the State Department of Public Health for testing		25

All hydrants were tested and flushed in the spring.

We installed 123 more Outside Readers for water meters, making a total of 345 Readers installed to date.

Respectfully submitted,

Stanley W. Cleveland  
Superintendent

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen organized after the election with Allan H. Hawk as Chairman, Edward G. Billiel, Clerk and John E. Holston, third member.

In an effort to achieve better government through better communications, the Board met frequently with other elected and appointed boards, commissions and committees. Several planned informal discussion periods were held with citizens at various locations where we were able to discuss matters and receive ideas and suggestions from interested citizens.

A major item of concern this past year involved the many requirements imposed by various federal and state agencies responsible for approval and funding of the proposed sewage treatment plant and intercepting sewers. Construction should start in the spring of 1975.

The town is fortunate in having the services of a number of citizens who are willing to contribute their time and effort by serving in the various appointed positions that are necessary to fulfill the requirements of a complex system of laws and regulations. We now have full membership in all appointed positions including the newly established Personnel Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, Building Code Board of Appeals, and the Bicentennial Committee.

By State law the State Building Code became fully effective on January 1, 1975. An Inspector of Buildings was hired with funds provided by the Federal Comprehensive Education and Training Act. The Board also was able to obtain funds from the same source and hire an Activity Coordinator on a trail basis in an effort to provide activities for the community utilizing existing facilities as much as possible.

The Board of Selectmen has supported fully the efforts of the Airport Commission and the Orange-Athol Industrial Development District to remove restrictions on the use of the proposed industrial park in order to be better able to attract industry to Orange.

Emphasis is being placed on the need for planning for the future. The Planning Board has been asked to develop a plan for meeting the needs of town departments for items of high cost for future years.



The Board of Selectmen is very grateful for the fine work and co-operation of the various Boards, Commissions, Committees, Department, and individual citizens during the past year.

Allan H. Hawk  
Edward G. Billiel  
John E. Holston

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

### SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following were tested and sealed during 1974:

Scales of all sizes	25
Gasoline pumps	52
Fuel Oil Trucks	10

Oil trucks were tested with State 50 gallon prover. Three sets of scales, seven gasoline pumps and four oil trucks required adjustment before sealing.

Heavy scales and drug scales tested with cooperation of State Sealer using State testing equipment.

Sealing fees collected during 1974 — \$181.30.

Respectfully submitted,

True B. Rice  
Sealer of Weights and Measures

## **REPORT OF THE ORANGE - ATHOL INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We herewith submit the annual report of the activities of the Industrial District for the year 1974.

The District accepted Lee Bellinger's resignation with regret. Mr. Bellinger moved out of the area.

We have had at least four firms interested in the Industrial Park in the past three years and all had wanted to buy land instead of leasing it.

Mr. Leonard Freedman, owner of Frederick's Rubber, told a meeting of the Orange Industrial Commission, the Orange Airport Commission, the Massachusetts Aeronautics and the Orange Board of Selectmen that he would not lease land to build a new plant on at the Industrial Park but that he wanted to buy the land. Meetings have been held with these various departments and final approval must be attained by voters of the Town of Orange.

Mr. Herb Rose expressed his thanks to the I.D.D. for their assistance in helping George B. Bent Co. to locate at the Minute Tapiocal plant in Orange.

We have continued to send out brochures and contact industries that appeared to be looking for space for expansion, but because of the general economy of the country most companies are being cautious. However, once the land becomes available for sale at the park, we feel confident that industry will be interested in locating there.

Respectfully submitted,

ROGER. W. MOORE  
Co-Vice Chairman

FRANCIS P. FARLEY  
Co-Vice Chairman

DR. HERBERT L. AARON  
Secretary

KERMIT W. COOK  
Treasurer

(continuation of Orange-Athol Industrial Development District Report)

Joseph S. Baldyga	Raymond H. Goland	L. George Lavin
Patrick J. D'Orio	George R. Girardi, Jr.	Edward P. Morris
James F. Donelan	Howard W. Grimes	J. Allan Tepper
Earl R. Drew	Peter J. Kimball	Erle C. Witty
Edward F. Haley	George R. Lauriat, Jr.	

## REPORT OF THE ORANGE HOUSING AUTHORITY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In 1974 the Orange Housing Authority began subsidizing apartment units in the new Pine Crest apartments on East River Street through the Department of Community Affairs Rental Assistance Program. By the end of the year thirty-four apartments were being subsidized at Pine Crest. Two additional units were being subsidized in the town, bringing the total of subsidized units to thirty-six. There is a waiting list of others needing rental assistance.

The Housing Authority continued to manage the elderly citizen's apartment complex at Colonial Acres. The complex was fully occupied throughout the year and also has a waiting list. A small picnic area was developed behind the project for tenant use.

Because of the need for more elderly housing in Orange, the Authority made application in late December to the Department of Community Affairs for authorization to build a new elderly housing complex with approximately sixty apartment units.

Respectfully submitted,

William K. Babel  
Chairman

Robert L. Howes  
Kenneth Akey, Jr.  
Mrs. Arnold Bergeron  
Mrs. Marilyn Spooner

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Cash on hand January 1, 1974	\$ 640,158.56
Total Receipts for 1974	<u>3,418,192.44</u>
	\$4,058,351.00
Payments in 1974 per Warrants	<u>\$3,054,960.97</u>
Cash on hand December 31, 1974	\$1,003,390.03

An itemized report of the receipts and payments may be found in the Town Accountant's Report.

## **TAX TITLES**

Tax Titles held by the Town on January 1, 1974	\$ 61,942.57
Added to Tax Titles in 1974	<u>14,315.90</u>
	\$ 76,258.47
Tax Titles Redeemed and Payments made in 1974	<u>\$ 12,169.28</u>
	\$ 64,089.19

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra M. Johnson  
Treasurer

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1974	Committed
1969 Personal Property	\$ 699.60	
1970 Personal Property	720.00	
1971 Personal Property	870.25	
1972 Personal Property	563.35	
1973 Personal Property	3,164.43	
1974 Personal Property		\$ 44,069.52
1975 Personal Property		82,061.10
1966 Real Estate	272.00	
1967 Real Estate	1,779.35	
1968 Real Estate	3,974.03	
1969 Real Estate	6,458.19	
1970 Real Estate	8,790.69	
1971 Real Estate	10,597.90	
1972 Real Estate	24,417.87	
1973 Real Estate	84,282.69	
1974 Real Estate		667,715.76
1975 Real Estate		1,248,623.55
1968 Motor Vehicle Excise	9,266.82	
1969 Motor Vehicle Excise	7,414.44	
1970 Motor Vehicle Excise	4,955.23	
1971 Motor Vehicle Excise	5,470.62	
1972 Motor Vehicle Excise	16,448.62	790.64
1973 Motor Vehicle Excise	34,408.18	37,523.10
1974 Motor Vehicle Excise		131,078.21
1967 Sewers	32.00	
1968 Sewers	36.00	
1969 Sewers	40.00	
1970 Sewers	40.00	
1971 Sewers	48.00	
1972 Sewers	80.00	
1973 Sewers	296.00	
1974 Sewers		3,812.00
1975 Sewers		3,812.00
1969 Farm Animal Excise	9.75	
1972 Farm Animal Excise	98.85	
1973 Farm Animal Excise	149.00	
1974 Farm Animal Excise		479.05



Paid	Abated	Tax Title	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1974
\$ 87.27			\$ 612.33
229.50	\$ 36.00		454.50
270.00			600.25
132.00			431.35
1,511.58	35.15		1,617.70
42,952.47	212.40		904.65
39,575.93			42,485.17
	272.00		0
511.85	1,067.50	\$ 200.00	0
593.27	1,420.08	963.20	997.48
267.09	352.00	985.60	4,853.50
446.15	756.00	929.00	6,659.54
1,347.80	248.00	1,278.00	7,724.10
14,163.06	785.60	1,249.60	8,219.61
48,757.83	4,464.76	1,737.20	29,322.90
594,967.64	50,796.00	2,906.88	19,045.24
476,251.45	88,416.00		683,956.10
1,735.67	507.23		7,023.92
1,144.66	126.23		6,143.55
793.76	101.48		4,059.99
1,387.19	301.13		3,782.30
8,003.17	1,305.57		7,930.52
45,282.72	9,760.64		16,887.92
95,026.73	11,595.27		24,456.21
12.00	16.00	4.00	0
8.00	16.00	4.00	8.00
4.00	4.00	4.00	28.00
12.00		4.00	24.00
12.00		4.00	32.00
44.00		4.00	32.00
152.00		16.00	128.00
3,672.00	4.00		136.00
3,272.00			540.00
9.75			0
98.85			0
129.00			20.00
479.05			0

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra M. Johnson  
Tax Collector

## REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The following is a report of the Orange Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1975.

195 Fire Calls and Investigations	
False Alarms and Sprinkler Malfunctions	37
Mutual Aid Calls	22
Automobile Fires	17
Structural Fires	21
Chimney Fires	11
Brush and Grass Fires	36
Automobile Accidents	15
Locomotive Fires	2

### Tully District:

Slab Fire	1
Camp Fire — NO Permit	1
Grass Fire	1
Kitchen Fire — Grease	1
Chimney Fire	1
Gasoline Wash Down	1
Call for Wires down in Road	1
False Alarm	1

340	Ambulance Calls
3386	Burning Permits Issued during burning season
65	Oil Burner Permits Issued
2	Blasting Permits Issued
3391	Telephone Calls logged for the Orange Police Department
45	Chimneys inspected

Respectfully submitted,

Edward P. O'Lari  
Fire Chief

David Gale  
Deputy Chief

Vernon Hamlett  
Dist. Dept. Chief

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT

I herewith submit the report of this department for the year 1974.

The work of this department has been the regular upkeep of streets, roads, sidewalks and bridges not included in Chapter 81 or Chapter 90.

On West River Street 200 feet of sidewalk was replaced.

Numerous sidewalks were patched.

Numerous driveway entrances were reconstructed with bituminous concrete.

Iron rail fences were repaired.

Streets were swept in the Spring and Fall.

Limbs felled during storms were cleared from streets and roads.

In the winter sand was delivered to houses for private use.

Sand boxes were filled periodically for public use.

Snow fences were erected.

Snow was cleared from sidewalks after storms and sand applied when necessary.

We plowed and sanded Mahar Regional and Dexter Park Schools parking lots.

200 tons of salt and approximately 2,700 yds. of sand was applied to streets and roads.

Runways, taxiways and parking lots were plowed at the airport.

### CHAPTER 81

The maintenance and surfacing of all roads and streets (accepted) except those under Chapter 90 Maintenance is carried out under this account. At present the state furnishes 67% of the money spent. This work constitutes the maintenance and surfacing of both graveled and

tarred roads and streets of which 65 miles are tar and 17 miles are gravel.

Work finished under this account was as follows:

The usual scraping of roads and streets.

The following streets and roads were oiled.

North Main St., 1,848 ft. were oiled; East Rd., 2,276 ft; Creamery Hill, 2,112 ft; Wendell Rd., 1,056 ft.; Walnut Hill Rd., 1,056 ft; Chestnut Hill, 1,056 ft.; Ball St., 264 ft.; Prospect St., 1,056 ft.; Howe St., 792 ft.; Battle St., 528 ft; Rogers Ave., 1,056 ft.; Depot St., 264 ft.; Burrill Ave., 792 ft.; Pleasant St., 1,320 ft; and Shingle Swamp Rd., 2,112 ft.

## CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Work finished under this account was as follows.

East River Street — 210 tons of bituminus concrete was applied and Tully Rd. — 200 tons of bituminus concrete was applied.

The following streets and roads were oiled.

North Main St., 1,584 ft. were oiled; North Orange Rd., 3,168 ft.; and Wheeler Ave., 3,442 ft.

Sections of guard rail were replaced on Holtshire Road around Lake Mattawa.

## SEWER

Numerous lines from streets to houses were unplugged.

Broken sewer lines were replaced.

Various lines to new houses were laid.

Lines were thawed out when frozen.

500 feet of new sewer line was laid on Walnut Hill finishing this project.

## MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS

The new addition to the town bard was painted and general upkeep was maintained.

## PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Grass at Butterfield Park, Goddard Park and Memorial Park was mowed, hedges trimmed, bushes cut, leaves and grass was raked up and disposed of. Butterfield Park was kept in shape for ball games.

Tennis courts and basketball court at Butterfield Park were kept clean and maintained.

Flower boxes were filled with loam and placed on the railings of the river bridge. In the fall the flower boxes were removed.

Sand was trucked to the beach at Lake Mattawa; a boat and a chair for the life guard was placed at the beach and a life guard hired.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond Rivers  
Highway Superintendent



## LIBRARIANS' REPORTS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

### American Library Association Form of Statistics

Population served (1970)	6,097
Number of days open during the year	304
Hours open each week for reading	34
Hours open each week for lending	34
Number of volumes added by purchase	832
Number of volumes added by gift	11
Total number of volumes at the end of the year	33,193
Number of volumes loaned for home use	53,375
Reading certificates issued	177
Number of registered borrowers	4,651

Respectfully submitted,

Mabel E. Glasson, Librarian  
Wheeler Memorial Library

### Moore-Leland Library — North Orange, Mass.

Number of days open during the year	152
Hours open each week for reading	8
Hours open each week for lending	8
Number of volumes added by purchase	65
Total number of volumes at end of year	4,606
Number of volumes loaned for home use	5,604
Number of registered borrowers	320
State certificates issued	15

Respectfully submitted,

Myrtha Gale, Librarian  
North Orange, Mass.

## **REPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES**

Veterans' Services provided financial assistance for fifteen cases of a temporary nature in varying periods of time. Seven permanent cases were found eligible to receive Supplemental Security Income and were suspended by this department, leaving ten permanent cases.

A total of 1,983 contacts were made by telephone and office visits for various affairs relating to veterans or their dependents.

The young men in the district are still being registered in accordance with the current draft law. To comply with this law, registration must be made within a sixty-day period, thirty days before or thirty days after attaining age eighteen.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. Calcari, Sr.  
Director & Agent

## **REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD**

During 1974 the Planning Board held forty-six meetings and received twenty-eight applications under the Subdivision Control law.

The Board assisted the townspeople in drawing up a Zoning By-Law which the town passed by a vote of 249 in favor and 137 against.

The Planning Board is interested and anxious to help the townspeople work on projects that involve planning and coordination. If there are any directions in which you would like to see the town develop, please come to our meetings or call the members.

Mary Rembe, Chairwoman  
Robert Young, Clerk  
Carroll Cloukey  
Fred Heyes  
Roger Tolman  
Charles Harris  
William Leaders, Associate Member

Planning Board

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION REPORT

The Conservation Commission was active during the past year, holding regular meetings, and making numerous on-site inspections. During the year the commission received three letters of interest and one filing fee. One public hearing was held.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry D. Wood  
Clifton Pierce  
Edgar T. Hume  
Stanley Cleveland  
Earl Drew, Jr.  
Cynthia Schmick  
Robert Andrews  
Daniel Shaw, Associate member

Conservation Commission

### EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 1974

February 14, 1974 Mr. Cleveland was voted Treasurer for the Orange Conservation Commission, replacing Mr. Drew.

During Mr. Drew's term \$32.25 was spent out of appropriations leaving a balance of \$167.75.

February 14, 1974	\$167.75
Membership to Con. Law Foundation of New England, Inc.	10.00
Filing cabinet from Sears Roebuck and Co.	47.14
Six keys from Aubuchon's	2.75
Photographic Techniques	9.00
Dues	25.00
Greenfield Recorder	4.99
Rent of Gale Brooks School	5.60
Orange Drug Store	7.16
Orange Drug Store	16.30
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Total Expend.	\$127.94
Balance	\$ 39.81

## REPORT OF AIRPORT COMMISSION

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

During the year 1974 the following took place at the Orange Municipal Airport:

A Limited Airport Certificate has been granted the Airport by the U.S. Department of Transportation. This has necessitated marking runways according to F.A.A. regulations and the removal of some trees and brush.

A tower and the underground quonset hut have been given to other town departments for their use.

Runway lights have been extended according to regulations.

The Aero Club has purchased additional aircraft and hanger space.

Brush and shrubs have been removed from the end of runway 1-19.

The Airport commission is continuing to work with the I.D.D. in developing and promoting the Industrial park.

Several Sports Car meets and Radio Control Model Airplane meets were held on the closed runway.

The Commission is concerned with the increased damage to grassed area and runway lights by unauthorized persons on the airport.

During 1974 there were 1,972 landings and take-offs registered in the Log Book.

The Airport Commission appreciates the excellent cooperation shown by townspeople, the Aero Club and P.I.

Respectfully submitted,

AIRPORT COMMISSION  
Luther W. Horton, Chairman  
Norman G. Sixt, Sr.  
Lloyd A. Taylor  
Frederick A. Mock, Jr.  
James A. MacKnight

## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The regular work of caring for the cemeteries was carried on this past year.

There are two blocks in South Cemetery graded and ready for seeding in the spring.

Number of foundations put in	60
Number of burials	86

The new truck is working out very well as it is larger than the one we had before. We may have to ask for an appropriation to gravel and tar one of the avenues in South Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

John W. Blackmer  
William R. Priestley  
Leslie J. Laughton

Cemetery Commissioners





**Annual Report**

**of the**

**School Department**





## REPORT OF ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

	Term Expires
Mr. Arthur W. Shaw, Chairman Creamery Hill Rd., North Orange	1976
Mr. Clyde L. Robbins, Vice-Chairman 359 North Main St.	1975
Miss Leona K. Cloutier, Secretary 96 West River St.	1975
Mr. Lloyd C. Green 15 West River St.	1975
Mr. Stewart W. Marshall 22 Coombs Ave.	1976
Mrs. Gayle A. Pinkowski 28 Grove St.	1977

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.  
Superintendent's Office

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

David P. Bramhall

OFFICE — 52 East Main Street

Telephones — 544-6763

544-3450

### SECRETARY TO SUPERINTENDENT

Mrs. Norma E. Ball

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday

8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT

At a meeting of the Orange School Committee held on January 23, 1975 it was voted to adopt the Report of the Superintendent of Schools as the report of the school committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur W. Shaw, Chairman  
Clyde L. Robbins, Vice-Chairman  
Leona K. Cloutier, Secretary  
Lloyd C. Green  
Stewart W. Marshall  
Gayle A. Pinkowski



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Orange School Committee:

I herewith submit my second annual report as Superintendent of the Orange Elementary Schools.

During 1974 the Orange School Committee met 20 times. This is more often than usual but represents the growing complexity of the problems and issues the Committee now faces. Since the elementary schools spend the second largest share of the local tax dollar, decisions made by the Orange School Committee often have a significant impact on the financial structure of the Town. Thus, it was most appropriate for the School Committee to invite the Board of Finance to sit in on its meetings and deliberations. Throughout the year a member of the Board of Finance usually was in attendance.

Certainly the most controversial issue before the School Committee was the necessary local plans and funds for implementation of the State mandated program for "children with special needs", popularly known as "Chapter 766." Because the State had not completed work on the regulations necessary to put the law into effect, the School Committee, last December, had to estimate what its budgetary needs would be for Fiscal 1975. After careful deliberation the Committee decided not to budget additional funds for appropriation at the Town Meeting in March, but rather, await future clarification and possibly State funding. As it turned out this was a wise choice since the Commonwealth in May did apportion \$53,236 to Orange for children with special needs. About half of this sum was released to the R.C. Mahar School District when it was received in the middle of November. It should be noted, however, that this unusual prefunding of a law was on a one time only basis and full cost of the special education programs (beginning in July, 1975) will be initially and directly borne by the local taxpayer.

It is important to note that regardless of the uncertainty of just what "766" would mean for the 1974-1975 Orange Elementary School program, the School Committee did increase to full-time the services of the school psychologist to act in that capacity, as well as, Special Education Administrator, a position which is required under the law. Mr. Eugene McNamara who holds this position and the staff under his direction, have done a very creditable job in implementing this terribly complex law within reasonable expenditure limitations. It might be of interest to the townspeople that the detailed regulations under this law comprise some two hundred pages.

## OTHER SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS

As of September 1, 1974, besides the special education programs the Orange Elementary Schools had been offering, a full-time speech therapist was added to the staff. Throughout this school year the therapist will have worked with 80-90 individual students.

The Learning Disabilities program has grown to the point that we are now providing individual assistance to more than 80 students as they are helped to overcome minimal neurological dysfunctions which impair the learning process.

As a result of a proposal submitted for Federal funding, the school system acquired the part-time services of a consultant teacher to assist teachers in the implementation of special programs for "special needs" students in the regular classroom and to assist in the development of screening programs for Kindergarten students and three and four year olds, as required by Chapter 766. This position proved most useful and has been budgeted for the 1975-1976 school year. Such future costs are partially reimbursable by the State.

In November, all personnel working in the "special needs" area were involved in an all day workshop developed, and presented by members of the Lexington Public Schools staff. This service was provided at no cost to the school district.

## BUTTERFIELD SCHOOL RENOVATION PROJECT

In March, the taxpayers approved an expenditure of \$155,000 to partially renovate the former Orange High School. Between April and June, an architect was hired, drawings submitted, contract bids awarded and orders placed. Delays in shipment of materials caused much of the actual work to be done after school commenced in September. It was not until late November when the last carpenter's screeching saw was stilled and normal classroom sounds prevailed. The staff and students should be commended for their patience and forbearance during this difficult period. During the Christmas vacation the windows were replaced with aluminum "twindow" type, which was the last phase of the project. This renovation, coupled with the new boilers installed in 1965, should increase the useful life of this school beyond the year 2000. By the end of Fiscal 1975, the interior of the building should have received a fresh coat of paint.

## CHANGES IN THE REGULAR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

The Science Curriculum Improvement Study (SCIS) Program extended to all students in Grades 1-6 last year, continues to be a successful program despite problems with delivery of materials which the publisher believes it has solved. This program allows students to actually work with scientific concepts rather than just rote learning of facts.

The *Individualized Mathematics System* (IMS) is being used on pilot basis this year. If it proves as successful here in Orange as it has elsewhere, its adoption as part of our mathematics curriculum will be recommended to the Committee. This program allows each youngster to move as quickly or as slowly as his learning rate indicates and strongly emphasizes computational skills — a component lacking in many of the “modern math” programs of the 1960’s.

*Alpha Time*, a pre-reading program adopted in the Kindergarten last year, was followed up by *Alpha One* in one-half of the first grade classes on a pilot basis. Citizens may recall that these programs were developed by the same persons who developed the highly acclaimed *Sesame Street*. Both programs have a strong phonics base and appeal to the interests of youngsters at this age level.

## OTHER CHANGES

Work has begun by five different teacher groups on the following topics: Development of a new and more effective Language Arts Curriculum, development of a new performance evaluation for teachers, a handbook for Students-Parents and a reporting system to parents on student progress which more effectively meets the desires of the parents. The last two committees will have volunteer parents as members. Reports from these committees are due in the Spring of 1975.

## NEGOTIATIONS

Negotiations between the Orange Elementary Teachers’ Association began in September and were quite protracted when compared with previous years. The major reason for the length and number of sessions was uncertainty over present and future economic conditions. In late November, agreement was reached on contractual and salary changes for the 1975-1976 school year. Beginning in September 1975, under the terms of the agreement, the teachers will receive an 8% increase plus their normal service increment which represents approximately 2.4%.

The Association also agreed to work an additional three days per year.

At present, and for the first time, the Orange School Committee is negotiating with a non-teaching personnel bargaining unit. It should be noted that the Finance Committee frequently has a member at negotiating sessions.

### ENERGY CRISIS

Last year our fuel and electricity consumption was reduced by 15%. Unfortunately, our costs increased because of the excessive rise in the prices for these energy sources and no savings in dollars resulted from these conservation efforts. Although we are not faced with the same shortages in paper supplies as last year, prices still remain very high in relation to previous years. Conservation of our resources has become a consistent and important theme throughout the students' school experience.

### HEALTH SERVICES

The School Physician, Dr. Frank B. Sauter, reports to the Superintendent that "During the calendar year of 1974 all of the pupils in the kindergarten, first, second, fourth and sixth grades were examined. We also examined all of the children who were classed in the first half of the year as mentally retarded, physically handicapped, emotionally handicapped or disturbed and all of whom were classed as children with "special needs" after the September 1, 1974 start of the programs under Chapter 766.

These were all done in their respective schools. As in the past we try to examine the children in small groups as far as the examination of their feet is concerned. The rest of the physical examination is done with each individual child in private with only the nurse or parent or other aide present. The one exception to this is the exams done at Gale Brooks School where there are just no rooms or available space to make this possible.

Under the new Chapter 766 requirements for examinations of pre-kindergarten children in the age groups of 3 and 4 year olds we have made attempts to get the parents, almost always the mothers, to bring the children and be present so that their cases can be discussed with them. In some instances it is a step-mother or foster mother or guardian.



In some cases we have also requested for these children with special needs, the presence of personnel who are responsible for certain areas of testing and teaching, such as the speech therapist, physical therapist, etc. All of this takes considerable time but I believe it is necessary and rewarding. If these very young children can be identified as having special needs a much better preparation can be made for their later education.

As in the past years I have continued to examine the children between the ages of fourteen and sixteen who desire it for the issuance of working certificates. This is done by the school physician without charge if requested within a reasonable time before the certificate is to be obtained."

The School Nurse, Mrs. Louise Egan, R.N. reported to the Superintendent that "During 1974 240 physical exams were done by the school physician and six defects were found; 90 other exams were performed by private physicians. The nurse completed 730 hearing tests and 853 vision tests and 2 referrals were made for hearing and 6 for vision. Fourteen personnel received a Mantoux TB test and the schools provided through in immunization clinic the necessary procedures for protection against Measles (12), Polio (33), D.P.T. (14) and D.T. (8). The schools also provided 5 children with throat cultures for determination of Strep. At various times throughout the year specific children were excluded from school for head lice. These exclusions totaled 16.

As a part of the requirements for Chapter 766 the nurse made forty home visits and assisted with physical exams for 59 children with special needs."

## FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Title ESEA — PL 89-10 — Project \$22,172. This program served 98 children Grades 1-6 during a six week program consisting of reading and math instruction, field trips, arts and crafts and physical education. In response to recommendations from the professional staff, the Orange School Committee voted to not in the future seek funding for additional Title I — Summer programs but rather to allocate these resources to improve the Title I school year program.

Title ± ESEA — PL 89-10 — Project AFDY — This program is for the purpose of funding eleven teacher aides and one half-time teacher to work with 75 students, grades 1-6, who are in need of additional individual help in reading and mathematics beyond that provided in the regular classroom. This year the program is using the IMS Mathematics

System on a pilot basis.

Title II ESEA — PL 89-10 — *Library Services* — The entire group grant of \$1,586.66 was shared between Gale Brooks and the Dexter Park Schools. The teachers in these buildings selected 375 books and 174 audio-visual and non-print materials.

#### RETIRMENTS

Both Mrs. Nellie Baltren and Mrs. Barbara Kenney retired at the end of the 1973-1974 school year. In accepting their resignations the Orange School Committee expressed its appreciation for their many years of devoted service to the school children of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

David P. Bramhall, Superintendent  
Orange Elementary Schools



# SCHOOL CALENDAR 1974 - 1975

## 1974 September (19)

M	T	W	T	F
	T3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				

Teachers start - T3  
School begins for  
pupils - 4

## October (21)

M	T	W	T	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
	29	30	31	

Columbus Day - 14  
Veterans Day - 28

## November (19)

M	T	W	T	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27		

Half day for Thanks-  
giving Recess - 27

## December (15)

M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20

Schools open - 2  
Schools close for  
Christmas Recess - 20

## 1975 January (19)

M	T	W	T	F
6	7	8	9	10
13	14		16	17
20	21	22	23	24

New Year's Say - 1  
Schools open - 6  
Martin Luther King  
Day - 15

## February (15)

M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
24	25	26	27	28

Schools close for  
winter vacation - 14  
Schools open - 24

## March (21)

M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				

## April (17)

M	T	W	T	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
28	29	30		

Schools close for  
spring vacation - 18  
Schools open - 28

## May (21)

M	T	W	T	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
	27	28	29	30

Memorial Day - 26

## June (18)

M	T	W	T	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25		

Schools close - 25  
(tentative date)

This calendar is based on a 180-day school  
year plus 5 extra days for inclement  
weather.

ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS  
ENROLLMENT BY AGE AND GRADE

October 1, 1974

	AGE														
Grade	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Totals		
K	4	88	9										101		
1		6	64	12									82		
2			3	80	19								102		
3				1	100	22							123		
4					3	108	21	1					133		
5						4	80	16		1			101		
6							10	84	34	4			132		
Special			2		1	3	4	2	6	2	1		21		
Total	4	94	78	93	123	137	115	103	40	7	1		795		

VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS

DAY STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Essex	1
Greenfield	2
Montachusett	2
Northampton	<u>13</u>
	18

NIGHT STUDENTS

Worcester	2
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EVENING PRACTICAL ARTS

Athol	15
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# STAFF DIRECTORY

## ORANGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

ADMINISTRATION	WHERE EDUCATED	APPOINTED	YEAR
Mr. David P. Bramhall, B.S. Ed., M.Ed., 6th yr.	Supt. Boston University, Fitchburg State college, University of Connecticut	1973	

### SPECIAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATOR/SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST

Mr. Eugent T. McNamara, B.A., M.A.

Tufts University 1970

### TEACHERS AND DEGREES

#### Butterfield School

	GRADE		
Mr. Robert Gaudet, B.S.Ed., M.Ed., 6th yr.	Princ.	Fitchburg State College, Assumption College	1948
Mrs. Bessie Davis, B.S., M.A.	4	Southwest Texas State Teachers College	1946
Mrs. Bessie Desseau, B.S.Ed.	5	Fitchburg State College	1966
Mrs. Mildred Edminster, B.S.	6	University of Maine	1966
Mrs. Rhoda Graves, B.S.Ed., M.Ed.	5	North Adams State College	1959
Miss Judith Gwozdz, B.S.Ed.	6	Westfield State College	1970
Mr. Robert Haigh, B.S.Ed.	Special Ed.	Rhode Island College	1971
Mr. Arokiaswamy Jacob, A.B., B.T., M.A.	6	University of Madras (India)	1972
Miss Betty Maki, B.A.	4	University of Massachusetts	1971
Miss Doris Niedzwiedz, B.A.	4	Clark University	1971
Mr. Robert O'Brien, B.A.	6	Merrimack College	1962
Mr. Louis Paradise, B.S.Ed.	4	Fitchburg State College	1969
Mr. Jerome Rogers, B.S., M.Ed.	5	Ithaca College, Keene State College	1968
Mr. Thomas Russo, B.A., M.A.	4	University of Connecticut	1974
Mr. Enver Softic, B.A. Ed.	6	North Adams State College	1970
Mrs. Veronicz Warren, B.S.	5	Fitchburg State College	1972

## Dexter Park School

Mr. Peter Farrell, A.B., M.Ed.	Princ.	St. Anselms College, Fitchburg State College	1970
Mrs. Sheryl Brault, B.S.Ed.	K	University of Connecticut	1970
Mrs. Mary Burrill, B.S.Ed.	3	Framingham State College	1951
Miss Dolores DeFalco, B.A.Ed.	Special Ed.	University of Massachusetts	1971
Miss Marguerite Goulet, B.S.Ed., M.Ed.	3	Fitchburg State College	1962
Mrs. Mariann Herk, B.S.Ed.	1	Fitchburg State College	1971
Mrs. Elizabeth Hough, B.S.Ed.	1	Fitchburg State College	1964
Miss Deborah Johnson, B.A., M.A.	Special Ed.	University of Massachusetts, Illinois State University	1974
Mrs. Joanna Leclerc, B.A.	3	Rivier College	1972
Mrs. Janet MacDonald, B.S.Ed.	2	Fitchburg State College	1971
Mrs. Margaret Navin, B.Ed.	K	Rhode Island College	1974
Mrs. Gwendolyn Oddy, B.S.Ed.	3	Fitchburg State College	1955
Mrs. Elizabeth Peirce, B.S.Ed.	K	North Adams State College	1970
Mrs. Linda Petruski, B.S.Ed.	2	Worcester State College	1973
Miss Denise Queeneville, B.S.Ed.	1	Westfield State College	1974
Mrs. Beverly Sweeney, B.S.	1	Fitchburg State College	1973
Mrs. Margaret Tandy, A.B.	2	Middlebury College	1965
Mrs. Mary Walsh, B.S.Ed.	2	Worcester State College	1969

## Gale Brooks School

Mr. Peter Farrell	Princ		
Mrs. Marjorie Lucier, B.S.Ed.	K & 1	Keene State College	1964
Miss Elizabeth Bickford, B.S.Ed.	2 & 3	North Adams State College	1960
Mr. Thomas Patterson, B.A.	3 & 4	University of Massachusetts	1972

*Itinerant Teachers*

Mr. Thomas Bussiere, B.S.  
Mrs. Kay Leonard, B.S.  
Mrs. Diana Ransom, B.S.

Phys. Ed. Central Connecticut State College  
Art Atlantic Union College  
Music University of Massachusetts

1973  
1973  
1974

*Speech Therapist*

Mrs. Carol Ambrozy, B.A., M.A.

University of Massachusetts

1974



TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL  
DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Year Ending December 31, 1974

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Roberta Anderson	Orange	1975
Clifford Fournier	Orange	1976
Gene Lyman	Orange	1975
Clyde Robbins	Orange	1975
Frances Miller	Orange	1977
Lillian Dennis	Orange	1977
Robert Fisher	Orange	1975
Loren Graves	Erving	1976
Kenneth Kavanaugh	Erving	1977
John Phelps	Erving	1975
George Kenney	Petersham	1975
Carmen Buell	Petersham	1975
Nona King	New Salem	1975
Harry Williston	Wendell	1975
Joan Kaczmarczyk	Ex-officio	
Jane Laughton	Ex-officio	
Daniel Cronin	Ex-officio	Harold Green
Renee Atherton	Ex-officio	Phyllis Housen
Willard Chase	Ex-officio	

Kermit W. Cook, Superintendent of District

Duane A. Nyman, Treasurer

Kermit W. Cook, Secretary to Mahar School District Committee

June P. Venette, Secretary to Superintendent and Assistant Treasurer

### *Office Hours*

Monday through Friday 8:00 - 12:00 Noon  
1:00 - 4:00 P.M.

*Office Telephone* 544-2920

AT A MEETING OF THE MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE HELD JANUARY 21, 1975, IT WAS VOTED TO ACCEPT THE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ADOPT IT AS THE REPORT OF THE REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND VOTERS OF THE RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, I HEREWITH SUBMIT MY ANNUAL REPORT AS SUPERINTENDENT.

The report of the Mahar Regional Committee this year includes a summary of the balance of the 1973-1974 school year and the first six months of the 1974-1975 school year. This is due to the change made in the state setting a July to June fiscal year for all municipalities to coincide with state and federal policies. Every attempt will be made to give a clear picture of the District particularly in the financial area of the report.

The Mahar School Committee can report another extremely busy year. In addition to eleven regular meetings, fourteen special meetings were held. These dealt primarily with the proposed building program and with negotiations with the three personnel groups in the District.

The problem of attendance of Committee members, particularly from New Salem and Wendell due to conflicting meetings was reviewed, but changes in the Regional Agreement to allow for alternates could not be made without upsetting the voting structure.

Committee members were also professionally active during the year attending the state meeting in Hyannis and the American Association of School Administrators meeting in Atlantic City.

### SCHOOL FACILITIES NEEDS

The committee held four special meetings on the proposal to add needed

space to the present facility. The plan, which called for an outlay of \$5,800,000 had been developed by the Providence Partnership, the architectural firm selected by the District. It included a junior high addition, renovations to the main facility, gymnasium and library additions, and an occupational education wing. Approval of the School Building Assistance Bureau had been secured and financing arrangements were under the direction of the Worcester County National Bank.

The Mahar School Committee on March 27 voted not to authorize the bond issue for the proposed project stating that alternative solutions had not been fully explored and that the total projected cost was prohibitive as presented.

On May 21, the Committee gave approval to the formation of a Joint Building committee comprised of three members of the Mahar Committee and representatives from the member towns selected by the Selectmen. A fourteen member Committee was formed headed by Dr. Arthur Shaw. The Committee has been an active one. It has reviewed school building needs and is in the process of selecting another architect to develop plans for an addition at a reduced figure. Plans to ask for planning funds at special town meetings early in 1975 are in effect.

It is important to advise the citizens of the District that the enrollment of the school is increasing. This year there are 1,155 students in the school and this number will increase. The need for additional space is acute and this fact is generally agreed upon by those working on the project.

## FINANCE

The Net Budget for the period July 1, 1974 to June 30, 1975 was set at \$1,585,257 with an estimated income of \$200,803 included. Inflation and increased costs due to the implementation of Chapter 766, the Special Needs program will strain the District to the limit to remain inside its budget estimates during this period. As an example, the cost of fuel oil as estimated by the Committee in November of 1973 has nearly tripled as is the case with many other basic costs. Every possible step is being taken to make economies in all phases of the program but full payment of state aid reimbursements are a necessity.

The Committee, as of December 31, 1974, has not completed work on the 1975-1976 Budget so no gross budget figures are available for this report. State aid formulas have been revised, and it is hoped that additional funding under Chapter 492 for the Regional can be made available to offset budget increases due to necessary increases in the proposed

budget. Additional funds for the Chapter 766 special needs program make up the largest single increase adopted by the Committee to this date. Other budget increases will include:

1. Renewal of bus contracts
2. Continuation of payment of deferred salaries begun in 1974
3. Installation of deluge showers mandated by state regulations
4. Adjustments to new salary schedules presently under negotiations
5. Increased costs to operate the Athletic Department

## PERSONNEL

The 1974 year has been a relatively stable personnel situation in the District as the teacher shortage problem has lessened in most departments. Four teachers were granted leaves of absence. Nine resignations were accepted which in most cases included teachers leaving the area for personal reasons. Two teachers were hired to meet the increasing requirements of the special needs program.

In the non-teaching personnel area I am pleased to report that Mrs. June Hawkes was hired as Cafeteria Manager. Mrs. Hawkes has been with the Cafeteria program since 1958 and is well trained in all aspects of the operation.

## SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAM

The Mahar Committee in 1974 has been faced with providing the necessary programs and personnel to meet the minimum requirements to implement the special needs that exist in the District for persons ages 13 through 21. The amount of \$17,800 added to the 1974-1975 budget was augmented by \$27,725 in June. These funds, to be drawn from Surplus Revenue would provide for psychologists services, secretarial assistance, a special needs teacher, speech therapy services, additional nursing services and a sound module room for speech therapy.

The state provided advanced funding for the first year of the program. In this matter, the District designated \$17,880 to be used to reduce the 1975 tax rate in the Member Towns. Approximately \$15,000 of additional funds has been requested in advanced funding which will be reduced from estimated income due in 1975.

The matter of reimbursements to assist in the program, and the need to finance in advance students approved for private and state institutions,



payment is of great concern to the committee and superintendent. Costs previously assumed by the State now become a local responsibility. Legislation to provide payment of special needs programs during the existing financial year should be enacted and citizen pressure in this area is an issue of high priority.

Further details on the school program will be found in the School Report which follows.

## ANNUAL REPORT

JANUARY 1 — DECEMBER 31, 1974

The year 1974 was one mixed with both successes and failures. Early in the year the Administration and Staff were encouraged by the progress of the Building Addition Program and were very disappointed when it was terminated after two years of intensive preparation. Consequently, the responsibility of providing a suitable educational experience for our students could only be accomplished by Curriculum and procedural modifications within the existing facility. It is in this area that some advances were made and for this progress I wish to acknowledge and credit the Faculty for its constant effort to provide a meaningful and relevant program under difficult circumstances.

Areas of accomplishment which have received considerable attention on a continuing basis are described in the following paragraphs:

*Educational Accountability* — A concerted effort was made to indicate to the public that the School System is endeavoring to show complete accountability to parents and tax payers from the business — financial standpoint and still be accountable to the students from the education - training standpoint.

Performance guarantees and objectives having been previously established were re-evaluated and modified as necessary or desirable. This system of management by objective is designed to guarantee some basic learning minimums for every student and gradually increase the amount and quality of learning to the greatest possible degree.



*Individualized Instruction* — Accountability to students can be accomplished best by a plan of individualizing the program of each student the individual differences of students are being met increasingly well by greater understanding of the relationship between their individual abilities and career aspirations. When a majority of the subjects a student is enrolled in are meaningful and enjoyable the time spent in school should be productive and objectives should be achieved. The basic difference between the more traditional class group method and individualization is that the former is *teaching centered* while the latter is *learning centered*. Therefore, carried out properly, individualization is the process of true learning through investigation and discovery. It should be understood, however, that a high level of success with individualization cannot be achieved until students at the elementary level have had the same type of read, experiment and discover experience.

*Free Selection of Elective Subjects* — Although the system of basic academic requirements is still in effect, the balance of each students program in grades 9-12 is completely by the free selection of any subjects in the Curriculum. The selection must be governed, to some extent, by a student's plans for the future which frequently indicate that certain prerequisite subjects are in order.

Continuous elevation of this procedure indicates that it is a progressive step and should be continued with further refinements, the most important being an improved procedure for student orientation on career possibilities and curriculum offerings related to them.

*Long Range Plan for the Improvement of Instruction* — In order to effectuate an adequate system of accountability, an extended, multi-year plan for the improvement of instruction has been introduced. At present this requires each department to establish curriculum priorities for a period of three years. With the completion of each year of the plan, another year is added, thus maintaining the three year sequence. This is to be achieved by constant exposure to study and application of innovative subjects, methods and practices which are applicable to the needs of our students.

Unfortunately, a reasonable degree of accomplishment is not anticipated because of serious space limitations.

During 1974 several new Legislative Chapters relating to Education were passed by the General Court and were designed for immediate implementation.

*Special Needs Program (Chapter 766 of the General Laws)* — Chapter

766 of the General Laws became effective officially at the beginning of the current school year in September, 1974. Fortunately, some schools, the Mahar Regional School being one had established Learning Needs Programs more than a year earlier and were able to absorb the administrative and organizational impact of the State Plan with considerable facility. The Director of the Student Services Department should be credited for this accomplishment.

This law is designed to help students with Learning Needs. A child with Special Learning Needs is any school age child who has been determined by a Core Evaluation Team (CET) to have Special Needs because of temporary or more permanent adjustment difficulties or attributes arising from intellectual, sensory, emotional or physical factors, cerebral dysfunctions, perceptual factors or other learning disabilities or combination thereof and who therefore is unable to progress effectively in the regular Education Program.

Special Learning Opportunities available to Mahar students and enrollments are described as follows:

A. Programs Under Chapter 766.

- 1. Exceptional Group Opportunity Program (EGO) — 6 students ungraded.
- 2. Perceptually Handicapped Program — 43 students, grades 7-11.
- 3. Mini-School Program — Gardner — 18 students, grades 8-11.
- 4. Learning Needs Resource Program — 36 students, grades 7 & 9.
- 5. Speech Therapy Program — 12 students, grades 7-10.
- 6. Special Tutor Program — 12 students, grades 7-12.
- 7. Home Study Program — 2 students, grades 11 & 12.

TOTAL — 129

B. Programs not under Chapter 766.

- 1. Remedial Reading Program — 54 students, grades 8 & 9.

TOTAL — 54

TOTAL SPECIAL PROGRAMS — 183

Core Evaluations have been conducted for thirty-three students since the beginning of school in September and it is expected that there will be an average of four per week for the remainder of the school year. The Educational Prescriptions which have been recommended should counter-act the Learning Need(s) of students involved and therefore contribute to a more satisfactory and productive experience for them. A re-evaluation of each Prescriptive Program is carried out on a monthly basis and modifications made as needed.

*Students' Rights to Equal Educational Opportunity — An Act to Prohibit Discrimination in Public Schools (Chapter 622 of the General Laws)* — “Chapter 76 of the General Laws is amended by adding the following section: *Section 5* — Every child shall have a right to attend the public schools of the town where he actually resides, subject to the following section. No child shall be excluded from or discriminated against in admission to a public school or any town, or in obtaining the advantages, privileges and courses of study of such public school on account of race, color, sex, religion or national origin.”

Simply stated, no child may be excluded from any school nor prohibited or discouraged from participating in any course, activity or resource available in such school on account of race, sex, color, religion or national origin.

Areas which are directly involved in the application of this Chapter are as follows:

1. School Admissions
2. Admission to Courses of Study
3. Course Content
4. Extra-Curricular and Athletic Activities
5. Educational Goals for Massachusetts (6 especially relevant)
6. Student Services

More adequate implementation of this Law is being planned by a special Faculty-Student Committee from which programs and recommendations will evolve.

*Students' Rights and Responsibilities — An Act Defining and Clarifying Certain Rights and Responsibilities of Public Secondary School Students — (Chapter 670 of the General Laws)* — Sections 82, 83 and 84 of the Chapter are stated by topic:

Section 82 — Right of students to Freedom of Expression.

Section 83 — Right of students to personal dress and appearance shall not be abridged.

Section 84 — No student may be suspended, expelled, or otherwise disciplined for conduct not connected with school sponsored activities.

Chapter 71 of the General Laws is amended by adding sections 82 - 84 as follows:

*Section 82* — The right of students to Freedom of Expression in the public schools of the Commonwealth shall not be abridged, provided that such right shall not cause any disruption or disorder within the school. Freedom of Expression shall include without limitation, the rights and responsibilities collectively and individually, (a) to express their views through speech and symbols, (b) to write, publish and disseminate their views, (c) to assemble peaceably on school property for the purpose of expressing their opinions. Any assembly planned by students during regularly scheduled school hours shall be held only at a time and place approved by the School Principal or his designee.

No expression made by students in the exercise of such rights shall be deemed to be an expression of school policy and no school officials shall be held responsible in any civic or criminal action for any expression made or published by students.

For the purpose of this section and sections 83 to 85 inclusive, the word student shall mean any person attending a public secondary school in the Commonwealth. The word school official shall mean any member or employee of the local School Committee.

*Section 83* — School officials shall not abridge the rights of students as to personal dress and appearance except if such officials determine that such personal dress and appearance violate reasonable standards of health, safety and cleanliness.

*Section 84* — No student shall be suspended, expelled, or otherwise disciplined on account of marriage, pregnancy, parenthood or for conduct which is not connected with any school sponsored activities provided, however, that in the case of a pregnant student, the School Committee may require that the student be under the supervision of a Physician.

*Access To and Examination of Records by Parents and Students* — (Chapter 785 of the General Laws) — The major points of this Law are:



1. It guarantees parents or students access to student records kept by an Education Institution receiving Federal Aid.
2. It gives the right to challenge records believed by parents or students to be incorrect, misleading or in violation of student privacy.
3. No personally identifiable records can be released to anyone, with certain exceptions, without written consent of parents or students. The exceptions encompass school personnel, including teachers, who have legitimate educational interests; the Federal Government in its efforts to evaluate programs or enforce requirements; the Courts; and those involved in student applications for financial aid.
4. Institutions must make available to students or parents a record of whoever has had access to the records. Chapter 785 states, in part: Each School Committee shall at the request of a parent or guardian of a pupil, or, at the request of a pupil 18 years or older, allow such parent, guardian or pupil to inspect academic, scholastic or any other records concerning such pupil which are kept or are required to be kept.

### *Graduation — Class of 1974*

Number of students in class — 140.

Brenda Jean Adams	Anita (Wing) Clark
Kathleen Ellen Aguda	1 Michael Edward Connors
Steven Gary Akey	3 Mary-Ellen Cornwell
Terry Joan Amidon	1 Susan Elizabeth Craig
Cheryl Jean Andrews	Elizabeth Starr Cummings
Dennis Baldie	Karen Cummings
Grover Roscoe Ballou, Jr.	Karen Marie Cupka
Jean Marie Barnes	Rene Danke
Sharon Lee Barnes	Michael David Desreuisseau
Steven Belanger	Ann Marie Diemand
Faylene Berry	Wayne Dodge
Jamie Lu Black	Susan Lee Douglas
Rita Anna Bolduc	Kim Duguay
LuAnn Marie Boudreau	3 Mary-Ann Rock Ellison
Janet Marie Bourbeau	2 Candace Daphne Fellows
2 Patricia Amy Bresnahan	Andrea Marie Folger
3 Christina Bringerud	Robert Alan Gamache
3 Edwin Otto Burpee	Heather Ganson



- |                               |                              |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Kimberlyn Butler              | Celeste Gelinas              |
| Susan Jean Cain               | Clayton Hall Gilmore         |
| Paul Joseph Calcari           | Kathy Ann Hallett            |
| 1 Debra Carr                  | Patricia Ann Harrington      |
| Nina Marlene Harris           | Colin Lester Preece          |
| Ingrid Hasanbasic             | Cheryl Prim                  |
| 3 Margaret Jennifer Haskins   | Roy Putnam                   |
| David Alan Hastings           | Dona Jean Qualters           |
| Elaine Melodie Hebert         | Lawrence Ramsdell            |
| Geneva Hildreth               | 1 Susan Rose Ramsdell        |
| Karsten Holm                  | 1 Rexine Ann Recos           |
| Michael Howard                | Gary Thomas Reynolds         |
| Mark Steven Hurt              | Warren Rice                  |
| 3 Robin Lyn (Herk) Hurt       | 3 Jeannette Theresa Richards |
| John Hyde                     | Patricia Ann Rivers          |
| Gary John Imbriglio           | Douglas Andrew Robinson      |
| Donald Jenks                  | 3 Patricia Gale Roche        |
| 1 Gail Ann Johnson            | 1 Gail Marie Roscoe          |
| William Richard Johnston, Jr. | Robert Gidion Rouleau, Jr.   |
| Kenneth Richard Kilhart       | David Royal                  |
| 1 Heather Marie Knight        | Leslie Lee Saben             |
| Robin Dee Kymalainen          | David Salls                  |
| James LaClaire                | Lyn Sanderson                |
| Gary Dale Lanpher, Jr.        | Pamela Savage                |
| Michael James Laperle         | 1 William Clay Schmick       |
| 3 Elizabeth Jeanne Lavin      | 2 Daniel Shaw                |
| Deborah Jean Leonard          | Robert Francis Shyer         |
| 3 Lewis Ira Levenson          | Linda Smith                  |
| 2 Lou Anne Linton             | 1 Michael Kelly Smith        |
| Keith William Litchfield      | Robin Elaine Songer          |
| Eddyce Norreen Littlewood     | Scott Denis Songer           |
| 3 Mark Edward Lyman           | Lisa Sperry                  |
| Jody MacLean                  | Howard Andrew Spofford       |
| Judy MacLean                  | John Lester Spofford         |
| Karen Marie Maynard           | John Paul Stallinois         |
| Marsha Jane Morse             | Carol St. Helaire            |
| Nila Marie Neward             | Susan Marie Stowell          |
| Richard Stanley Niedzwiedz    | Mark Jeffrey Sullivan        |
| Kirk Andrew Nolte             | 1 Kirsten Swan               |
| 1 Roland Nutter, Jr.          | Calvin Taylor                |
| 3 Gail Suzanne Olson          | Shirley Ann Thompson         |
| Kenneth Scott Overing         | Philip Adrian VanOs          |
| 2 Paul Pajak                  | Brenda Lee Warrington        |
| John Henry Paul               | Helen Nancy Watson           |

Brian Peters  
Jane Peterson  
Pamela An Pielock  
Terry Lynn Plante  
3 Cheryl Robin Plotkin  
2 Jeffry Lawrence Pond  
2 Frederick Marshall Powers  
Claire Arlene Preece

Thomas Sidney Wheeler  
Rodney Whittier, Jr.  
James Howard Woodard  
Scott Woodbury  
Debra Lee Woods  
Charles Joseph Zilinski  
1 Margaret Elaine Zink  
Frank Sidney Zuidema

NUMBER:

Years in Senior National  
Honor society

Due to the lack of space and in the interest of economy reports on the following topics are not included, but will be available in the Office of the Superintendent:

1. Athletic Programs
2. Intra-Mural Program
3. Science Fair and Other Activities
4. CO-OP Program
5. Health Report

In closing this report, I wish to express my thanks to the Mahar Regional School Committee and to my co-workers who have provided dedicated service and cooperation to the school during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

Kermit W. Cook  
Superintendent and Secretary  
Ralph C. Mahar Regional School  
District

# RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## TREASURER'S REPORT 1974

### RECEIPTS:

Balance January 1, 1974

\$ 87,395.47

Budget Assessments — Orange  
 Budget Assessments — Erving  
 Budget Assessments — Petersham  
 Budget Assessments — New Salem  
 Budget Assessments — Wendell  
 Commonwealth of Mass. — Sch. Lunch  
 Commonwealth of Mass. — Construction  
 Commonwealth of Mass. — Title II  
 Commonwealth of Mass. — Special Ed.  
 Commonwealth of Mass. — Transportation  
 Commonwealth of Mass. — Occupational Ed.

940,441.77  
 171,311.40  
 134,537.87  
 83,289.58  
 51,717.65  
 39,696.89  
 75,803.17  
 1,708.21  
 55,610.00  
 123,047.31  
 32,644.00

Note Proceeds

Cafeteria Receipts

Athletic Receipts

Wood and Metal Shop Receipts

Music Receipts

Lost & Damaged Bks., Locks, Etc.

Phone and Other commissions

Use of Facilities

Adult Education

323,055.00  
 64,026.54  
 6,472.37  
 111.47  
 6,258.17  
 280.68  
 279.77  
 55.00  
 1,275.00

### EXPENDITURES:

*Operational:*

Administration  
 Instruction  
 Operation of Plant  
 Other School Services  
 Fixed Charges  
 Acq. of Equipment  
 Programs Other Districts

\$ 34,197.13  
 953,491.77  
 129,775.32  
 196,388.90  
 53,870.23  
 29,883.58  
 1,903.90  
\$1,399,510.83

*Revolving Accounts:*

School Lunch Programs

Athletics

Music

Title II ESEA Library

Title III

Occupational Ed.

Lost Books

\$ 95,843.40  
 9,269.33  
 4,844.36  
 1,740.36  
 1,153.05  
 124.56  
 14.40  
\$ 112,989.46



*Details of Balance:*

Franklin County Trust Company  
Less Outstanding Checks

\$	102,226.87
	19,504.06
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\$	82,722.81
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*Details of Interim Savings:*

Interest Earned 1974  
Balance of Deposit Over Withdrawals for Year  
Balance in Orange Savings Bank 12-31-74

\$	6,020.74
	149,000.00
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\$	155,020.74
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Duane A. Nyman  
Treasurer



# RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

<i>Operational Budget:</i>	<i>Special Needs</i>	<i>Request for 1975-76</i>	
		<i>Reg.</i>	<i>Voc.</i>
Administration	\$ 0	\$ 37,644	\$ 3,453
Instruction	103,087	1,019,711	61,547
Other School Services	16,200	236,854	4,575
Operation & Maintenance	0	146,303	12,195
Fixed Charges	0	57,350	12,900
Acq. of Fixed Assets	0	43,827	3,000
Programs Other Districts	82,510	0	0
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$201,797	\$1,541,689	\$97,670
 <i>Debt Service:</i>			
Payment on Principal	\$	\$ 167,018	\$
Interest	<hr/>	12,183	<hr/>
 *GROSS BUDGET	 \$201,797	 \$1,720,890	 \$97,670
 <i>Estimated Income:</i>			
Commonwealth of Mass:			
Transportation	\$	\$ 90,000	\$
Special Education	30,000		
School Construction		75,803	
Vocational Education		0	35,000
Shop & Crafts		0	
Miscellaneous		0	
Used from Surplus Revenue	0	0	
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	\$ 30,000	\$ 165,803	\$35,000
 *NET BUDGET	 <hr/>	 <hr/>	 <hr/>
	\$171,797	\$1,555,087	\$62,670

<i>Appropriated 1974-1975</i>		<i>Expended 1974</i>	<i>Balance 1975</i>
<i>Reg.</i>	<i>Voc.</i>		

\$ 33,817	\$ 2,590	\$ 18,401.42	\$ 18,005.58
976,279	54,044	362,537.74	667,785.26
212,021	3,975	86,881.85	129,114.15
121,440	8,800	58,867.33	71,372.67
52,139	10,700	29,290.20	33,548.80
40,425	6,500	20,264.91	26,660.09
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,903.90</u>	<u>-1,903.90</u>

\$1,436,121	\$86,609	\$578,147.35	\$944,582.65
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\$ 167,019	\$	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 117,019.00
<u>18,578</u>	<u></u>	<u>10,021.24</u>	<u>8,556.76</u>

\$1,621,718	\$86,609	\$638,168.59	\$1,070,158.41
(1,708,327)			

*Estimated 1974-75*

*Actual 1974*

\$ 80,000	\$46,560 (1972-73)
15,000	30,513
75,803	0
30,000	4,084
0	0
	7,411
<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

\$ 200,803	\$88,568
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\$1,507,524

RALPH C. MAHAR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 1975-76

TOWN	ENROLLMENT 10-1-1974	PERCENT	ASSESSMENT	See Below	AMOUNT DUE
Erving	136	11.775%	\$ 210,719.98	\$ 522.51*	\$ 210,197.47
New Salem	60	5.195%	92,967.33	2,102.20**	95,069.53
Orange	785	67.965%	1,216,270.38	3,017.54*	1,213,252.84
Petersham	119	10.303%	184,377.75	457.75*	183,920.00
Wendell	55	4.762%	85,218.56	1,895.60**	87,114.16
	1155	100.000%	\$1,789,554.00		\$1,789,554.00

\*Building construction back payment *due* Regional District

\*Building construction *credit* from New Salem and Wendell



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